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## Port: Largest shipping cranes to operate in US have arrived

By BEN FINLEY, Associated Press

**NORFOLK, Va. (AP)** — What are said to be the largest cranes to operate at a U.S. commercial port arrived Monday in Virginia, marking the latest effort to accommodate the increasingly mammoth container ships that underpin international trade.

Standing 170 feet (52 meters) tall, the Chinese-made gantry cranes towered over the ship that carried them through the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. Officials from the Virginia Port Authority said they will be the nation's largest.

"Having these cranes sail into our harbor says, very clearly, to the ocean carriers and the industry that we are prepared for the next evolution and the one to come after that," said John F. Reinhart, CEO and executive director of the Virginia Port Authority.

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Spectators crowd a pier as they watch a Chinese ship carrying giant cranes approach the entrance to Hampton Roads in Hampton, Va., Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.

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# Trump heads to TV, border as fed workers face paycheck sting

By **MATTHEW DALY, CATHERINE LUCEY and LISA MAS-CARO, Associated Press**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — With no breakthrough in sight, President Donald Trump will argue his case to the nation Tuesday night that a “crisis” at the U.S.-Mexico border requires the long and invulnerable wall he’s demanding before ending the partial government shutdown. Hundreds of thousands of federal workers face missed paychecks Friday as the shutdown drags through a third week. Trump’s Oval Office speech — his first as president — will be followed by his visit Thursday to the southern border to highlight his demand for a barrier. White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders tweeted that he will use the visit to “meet with those on the front lines of the national security and humanitarian crisis.”

The administration is also at least talking about the idea of declaring a national emergency to allow Trump to move forward on the wall without Congress approving the \$5.6 billion

he wants. Vice President Mike Pence said the White House counsel’s office is

years — has said he would like to continue negotiations for now.

refunds will go out as normal,” said Russell Vought, acting director of the White

across the country who remain focused on the mission and are respectful to the traveling public,” said TSA spokesman Michael Bilello.

The talks over ending the shutdown have been at an impasse over Trump’s demand for the wall. He has offered to build the barrier with steel rather than concrete, billing that as a concession to Democrats’ objections. They “don’t like concrete, so we’ll give them steel,” he said. But Democrats have made clear that they object to the wall itself, not how it’s constructed. They see it as immoral and ineffective and prefer other types of border security funded at already agreed-upon levels.

“Maybe he thinks he can bully us. But I’m from Brooklyn. You let a bully succeed, you’ll be bullied again worse,” Senate Minority Leader Charles Schumer said at a breakfast with the Association for a Better New York.

At the White House, spokeswoman Mercedes Schlapp complained that Democratic leaders have yet to define what they mean when they say they are for enhancing border security. “Democrats want to secure the border? Great. Come to the table,” she said Monday. “We are willing to come to a deal to reopen the government.”

Trump has tasked Pence during the shutdown fight to negotiate with Democrats, including during talks over the weekend with Democratic staffers. But the vice president is increasingly being called upon to prevent defections in the GOP ranks.

Asked whether cracks were forming between the White House and Republicans eager for the shutdown to end, Pence told reporters, “We’ve been in touch with those members and others.”

He said that he and Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen would be at the Capitol Tuesday and Wednesday to brief lawmakers. □



**Two people embrace on the U.S. side of the border, seen through the border wall Monday, Jan. 7, 2019, seen from along the beach in Tijuana, Mexico. U.S.**

**Associated Press**

looking at the idea. Such a move would certainly draw legal challenges, and Trump — who told lawmakers he would be willing to keep the government closed for months or ever

As Trump’s prime-time address and his border visit were announced, newly empowered House Democrats — and at least a few Republican senators — stepped up pressure on GOP lawmakers to reopen the government without giving in to the president’s demands. The closure, which has lasted 17 days, is already the second-longest in history and would become the longest this weekend.

Leaning on Senate Republicans, some of whom are growing anxious about the impact of the shutdown, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said the House would begin passing individual bills this week that would reopen federal agencies, starting with the Treasury Department to ensure Americans receive their tax refunds.

The White House moved to pre-empt the Democrats, telling reporters Monday that tax refunds would be paid despite the shutdown. That shutdown exemption would break from the practice of earlier administrations and could be challenged.

“There is an indefinite appropriation to pay tax refunds. As a result ... the

House budget office. There were other signs that administration was working to control the damage from the shutdown, which has furloughed 380,000 federal workers and forced another 420,000 to work without pay.

The National Park Service said it was dipping into entrance fees to pay for staffing at some highly visited parks to maintain restrooms, clean up trash and patrol the grounds, after reports of human waste and garbage overflowing in some spots.

Over the weekend, the federal agency tasked with guaranteeing U.S. airport security acknowledged an increase in the number of its employees missing work or calling in sick.

But Trump and the Transportation Security Administration pushed back on any suggestion that the callouts at the agency represented a “sickout” that was having a significant effect on U.S. air travel. TSA said it screened more than 2.2 million passengers Sunday, a historically busy day due to holiday travel. Ninety percent waited less than 15 minutes, the agency said.

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## Port: Largest shipping cranes to operate in US have arrived

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Shipping companies are using fewer but larger container ships to save on costs. And the recent expansion of the Panama Canal has increased ship traffic between Asia and the U.S. East Coast.

An "arms race" is underway as ports try to make room for the larger ships, said Robert McNab, an economics professor at Old Dominion University in Norfolk.

Projects include dredging deeper channels in Georgia and South Carolina. Part of a bridge was elevated to allow bigger ships to reach New York City-area ports. The new cranes in Virginia should be up and running in about two months in Portsmouth, a city near the mouth of the Chesapeake Bay. The cranes are part of an ongoing expansion-and-dredging project at the Port of Virginia, which also has terminals in the nearby city of Norfolk.

Cargo includes electronics, furniture and automobile parts comes in from all over the world and goes to cities such as Louisville, Kentucky, and Chicago. Ships leave the port carrying anything from logs from Appalachia to soybeans from Virginia. The cranes' delivery to Virginia had come under threat over the summer as trade tensions escalated between the U.S. and China. President Donald Trump's administration had at one point proposed

slapping tariffs on Chinese-made gantry cranes.

The port had approved spending \$40 million for the cranes. A 25 percent tariff could have meant a \$10 million cost increase that wasn't budgeted. Reinhart, the port's CEO, shared his concerns with the Office of the United States Trade Representative. The cranes were eventually removed from a list of Chinese goods that were being considered for tariffs.

But that doesn't mean

trade worries are over.

McNab, the economics professor, said there already are concerns that economic growth is slowing in the European Union and China. A continued increase in trade tensions could lead to a global slowdown, he said. Demand for U.S. exports could fall. Prices on foreign imports could rise. "It could take a bite out of traffic at the Port of Virginia and the other ports in the United States," he said. □

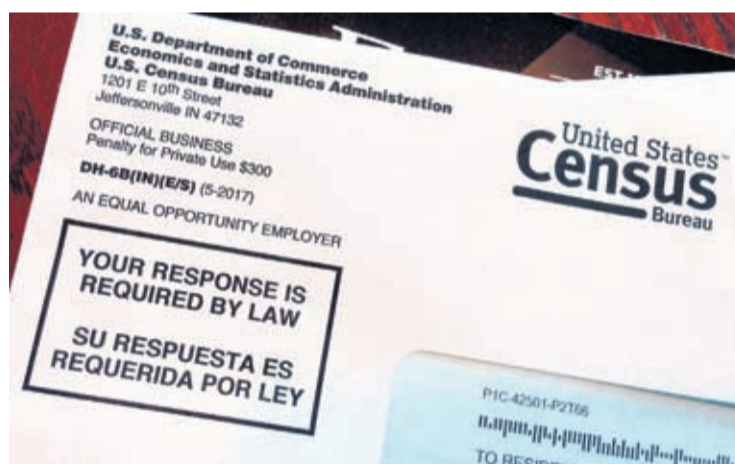
## Expert: Census citizenship question would hurt Latino count

By SUDHIN THANAWALA, Associated Press  
SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Asking people whether they are U.S. citizens on the 2020 census would worsen the undercount of Latinos and non-citizens compared with other groups, an expert in surveys said Monday at the start of a trial over the Trump administration's decision to include the question for the first time in 70 years.

Colm O'Muircheartaigh, a professor at the University of Chicago, said the question would reduce the percentage of Latinos and non-citizens who respond to the census questionnaire. He testified in federal court for California and numerous cities that argue that asking about citizenship is politically motivated. The state and cities are suing the U.S. government to keep the question off the population count that is done every decade.

California has the largest number of foreign-born residents and non-citizens of any state, so an undercount would jeopardize its federal funding and congressional representation,



This March 23, 2018, file photo shows an envelope containing a 2018 census letter mailed to a U.S. resident as part of the nation's only test run of the 2020 Census.

Associated Press

the state said in the lawsuit. Figures from the census are used to determine the distribution of congressional seats to states and billions of dollars in federal funding. The U.S. Justice Department argues that census officials take steps to guard against an undercount, including making follow-up visits in person, so the final numbers will be accurate. Households that skip the citizenship question but otherwise fill out a substantial portion of the survey will still be counted, government attorneys said in court documents.

O'Muircheartaigh, who has served as an adviser to the Census Bureau, said the bureau's additional efforts to count those people would not "remediate the damage caused by the introduction of the citizenship question," referring to an undercount of certain groups. It's the latest battle between California and President Donald Trump's administration, with both sides suing the other over immigration and other issues. The government has cracked down on immigration and border security, while California has some

protections for immigrants in the country illegally.

U.S. Judge Richard Seeborg is scheduled to hear a week of testimony from experts and other witnesses in the census case before deciding whether to allow the question. Seeborg is the second federal judge considering the issue, with a ruling by the first judge expected soon after a trial in New York ended in November.

The Commerce Department announced the addition of a citizenship question in March, saying the Justice Department had requested it and it would improve enforcement of a 1965 law meant to protect minority voting rights.

Government attorney Carlotta Wells said in an opening statement that Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross considered a range of opinions and evaluated data from census officials before making his decision. The move sparked an outcry from Democrats, who said it would disproportionately affect states favoring their party. All households were last asked whether individuals were U.S. citizens

in the 1950 census.

Documents in the litigation in New York appear to show that Ross was pushing for the question well before the Justice Department's request and spoke about it in spring 2017 with former senior White House adviser Steve Bannon and then-Attorney General Jeff Sessions.

There was enough evidence "to infer that Secretary Ross was motivated to add the citizenship question for the partisan purpose of facilitating the exclusion of non-citizens from the population count for congressional apportionment," California and other plaintiffs told Seeborg in court documents.

Ross' interest in pursuing the question and his discussions with other people are not evidence of an improper motive, Wells said.

O'Muircheartaigh's testimony is part of the plaintiffs' effort to show the citizenship question would result in a costly undercount that they say would violate the constitutional requirement that the census include everyone in the U.S., even non-citizens. □

## Man pleads guilty to killing 6 in between driving for Uber

**Associated Press**

**KALAMAZOO, Mich. (AP) —**

A Michigan man charged with killing six strangers between picking up rides for Uber pleaded guilty to murder on Monday, just before attorneys were set to interview jurors for his trial.

Jason Dalton's surprise move came more than three years after the shootings, which occurred over the course of a few hours in and around Kalamazoo. Dalton pleaded guilty to murder and attempted murder over his attorney's objections, triggering a mandatory sentence of life in prison with no chance for parole on Feb. 5.

"Yes, I've wanted this for quite a while," Dalton replied when a judge asked if the pleas were voluntary. The 48-year-old Dalton answered "yes" to a series of questions, admitting that he shot eight people at three locations. After his arrest, police quoted Dalton as saying a "devil figure"



**In this April 20, 2017 file photo, defendant Jason Dalton, left, who is charged with killing six people in-between picking up riders for Uber, stands with attorney Eusebio Solis during a hearing in Kalamazoo, Mich.**

**Associated Press**

on Uber's app was controlling him on the day of the shootings.

Four women were killed in the parking lot of a Cracker Barrel restaurant: Barbara Hawthorne, Dorothy "Judy" Brown, Mary Lou Nye and her sister-in-law, Mary Jo Nye. Rich Smith and his 17-year-old son, Tyler Smith, were fatally shot while looking at a pickup truck in a

dealer's lot.

Abigail Kopf, who was 14 at the time, was shot in the head during the restaurant shooting and survived. Tiana Carruthers was injured in a residential area.

Dalton had been deemed competent to stand trial and last week dropped an insanity defense. In court, he didn't explain why he randomly shot eight peo-

ple. Dalton, the father of two children, had worked as an insurance adjuster and had no previous criminal record before the shootings.

Prosecutor Jeff Getting said the motive behind the shootings is a question that "haunts us."

"Everybody wants to know," he said during a news conference after the court hearing.

Defense attorney Eusebio Solis said he advised Dalton not to plead guilty.

"But in speaking to Mr. Dalton, there are reasons" for the plea, Solis told Judge Alexander Lipsey. "There are personal reasons for him. He does not want to put his family through that, or the victims' families, through the trial. It's his decision."

A gun shop owner said Dalton bought a jacket with an inside pocket designed to hold a gun just hours before the rampage. Shop owner Jon Southwick

recalled Dalton "laughing and joking," and giving a "one-armed hug" to the manager before making the purchase.

Following the guilty pleas, Getting praised investigators and others who helped during the case, especially Alexis Cornish. She was dating Tyler Smith and was in a vehicle when he and his father were shot while looking at pickup trucks.

Cornish was "extraordinarily brave" to immediately get a phone from her boyfriend's pocket and call 911, the prosecutor said.

Dalton's relatives and former wife released a statement, expressing condolences to Kopf, Carruthers and the victims' families for "this senseless tragedy."

"Nothing that we can say is adequate, but please know that our hearts are broken by the suffering which has resulted from the actions of our son and former husband," the statement said. □

## California storm brings power outages, shuts down highway

**By OLGA R. RODRIGUEZ, Associated Press**

**SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —**

Utility crews worked Monday to restore power to thousands of people after a winter storm swept through Northern California, toppling utility poles and trees and prompting the temporary closure of a major highway.

Strong winds and downed trees knocked out electricity for nearly 90,000 customers across the Sacramento region Sunday night. By Monday morning, 13,000 customers still had no power.

In Oregon and Washington, tens of thousands of



**In this Sunday, Jan. 6, 2018 photo, California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) crews work to clear mud and rocks that tumbled onto Pacific Coast Highway in Malibu, Calif.**

**Associated Press**

people remained without power after windstorms struck parts the northwest over the weekend.

Officials shut down the highway Sunday after the snowstorm reached the Lake Tahoe area as week-

end visitors were leaving. The National Weather Service on Monday issued a winter storm warning for areas in the Sierra Nevada above 4,000 feet (1,200 meters), saying snowy and gusty conditions will limit visibility. Over three days 4.5 feet (1.37 meters) of snow accumulated at the summit of Mammoth Mountain, 150 miles (240 kilometers) south of Tahoe, the resort said Monday. More than a foot (30 centimeters) fell in the upper elevations around Tahoe, including 19 inches (48 centimeters) at Squaw Valley.

Up to 5 inches (13 centimeters) of rain fell in some

Northern California coastal and valley areas, while mountain communities got heavy snow.

A new wet system is expected in the region on Tuesday night, but it won't be as intense but two more powerful storms are expected over the weekend, National Weather Service forecaster Emily Heller said. In Southern California, light to moderate rain fell early Monday as a second system followed heavy Saturday night downpours that unleashed massive mud flows from the fire-scarred Santa Monica Mountains onto Pacific Coast Highway. □

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## California's Newsom rebukes White House in inaugural

By KATHLEEN RONAYNE, Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP)

— California Gov. Gavin Newsom was sworn in Monday and immediately drew sharp battle lines with President Donald Trump, pledging to enact “progressive, principled” policies as the antidote to the White House’s “corruption and incompetence.”

“People’s lives, freedom, security, the water we drink, the air we breathe — they all hang in the balance,” Newsom, 51, declared to a crowd of hundreds packed into a tent outside the Capitol.

Newsom took the helm as California’s 40th governor with a speech laced with bold pronouncements about California’s values and the direction he envisions for the nation’s most populous state.

But there were few specifics on how he’ll get there. He never mentioned Trump by name, but said the president’s administration is “hostile to California’s values and interests” and blasted plans to build a wall along the nation’s border with Mexico.

“The country is watching us, the world is watching us. The future depends on us, and we will seize this moment,” he said.

Newly installed U.S. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, a San Francisco Democrat, was among those in attendance for the inaugural address. She got a standing ovation when she entered, an affirmation of the strong backing her opposition to Trump has in California’s Democrat-controlled capital.



California Governor Gavin Newsom his family wife, Jennifer Siebel Newsom, waves after taking the oath office during his inauguration as 40th Governor of California, Monday, Jan. 7, 2019, Sacramento, Calif.

A church choir from Compton got the crowd on its feet with upbeat renditions of popular songs to kick off the event, reflecting the younger, flashier style Newsom will bring compared to his 80-year-old predecessor, Jerry Brown.

In another sign of the generational shift, Newsom’s 2-year-old son Dutch wandered on stage during the speech. Newsom, who has four children, picked him up and continued delivering his speech. The boy then walked around stage

dragging a blanket, drawing laughs from the crowd until Newsom’s wife took him off stage.

Even as he needled Trump, Newsom offered an overture to voters in rural California, millions of whom voted for Trump and John Cox, Newsom’s Republican rival in November.

“I recognize that many in our rural communities believe that Sacramento doesn’t care about them — doesn’t even really see them,” he said. “I see you. I care about you. And I will

represent you with pride. While touting the California Dream and strong economy, Newsom also acknowledged the state has problems, from a homelessness crisis to a gulf between the state’s wealthiest and poorest residents to failing schools, all of which he called “moral imperatives.”

Beyond Trump, he pledged to take on drug companies, the gun lobby, polluters and payday lenders. Newsom praised Brown, a longtime family friend, but indicated he would strike

out a separate path from the fiscal restraint Brown made a hallmark of his last eight years in office. Brown sometimes angered legislative Democrats by rejecting big-ticket social spending items.

Newsom, meanwhile, already has pledged to expand access to early childhood education, reduce the cost of community college and extend family leave. He suggested Brown’s method of resisting more spending in favor of saving needed rethinking. “For eight years, California has built a foundation of rock,” he said. “Our job now is not to rest on that foundation. It is to build our house upon it he said.

More specifics on Newsom’s plans — including a “Marshall plan” for affordable housing, a reduction in drug prices and criminal justice reforms — will be outlined in the coming days.

When he introduces his first budget on Thursday the public will get a chance to see how he plans to pay for his plans while keeping his promise to maintain the state’s healthy reserves.

Newsom’s inaugural address and celebration highlighted California’s diversity. His wife, Jennifer Siebel Newsom, delivered opening remarks in Spanish and a Mexican-American band from Richmond, California, performed. Throughout his speech, Newsom sharply contrasted Trump’s rhetoric on immigrants, saying California will not have “one house for the rich and one for the poor, or one for the native-born and one for the rest.” □

Associated Press

# Alabama civil rights institute rescinds Angela Davis honor

By JAY REEVES, Associated Press

**BIRMINGHAM, Ala. (AP)**

— Black activists on Monday called for leadership changes and protests at an Alabama civil rights museum after it rescinded an award for political activist Angela Davis, a move the mayor said followed complaints from the Jewish community.

Speaking outside the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute, located in the same downtown area where civil rights violence once shocked the nation, organizers told a news conference that Davis, a Birmingham native, was wronged by the decision to rescind the honor.

Davis, a longtime activist who has supported Palestinian rights and criticized Israeli policy, is on a par with civil rights legend Rosa Parks, said activist Frank Matthews.

"This is the ultimate insult to deny Angela Davis her inheritance," he said. Museum leaders should quit, he said, and protests will be held. Other speakers called for a boycott.

The institute announced in September that Davis would receive the Fred L.



In this Feb. 19, 2015, file photo Angela Davis, author, educator and iconic civil rights activist, speaks during her visit to the University of Michigan-Flint, in Flint, Mich.

Shuttlesworth Human Rights Award, named for the late minister who once prominently led civil rights demonstrations in the city.

In a statement posted on its website over the weekend, the publicly funded museum said it was canceling a gala set for next month and rescinding the award after directors concluded Davis "unfortunately does not meet all of the criteria on which the award is based."

Mayor Randall Woodfin said he was "dismayed" by the decision, which he said followed "protests from our local Jewish community and some of its allies."

The longtime executive director of the Birmingham Jewish Federation, Richard Friedman, did not immediately return a phone message seeking comment.

A representative of the Birmingham Civil Rights Institute did not immediately

return an email message seeking comment; neither did a California-based agency that represents Davis.

Davis, 74, has spent decades fighting for civil rights. She was an active member of the Black Panther Party, Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee and Communist Party USA. She also is an outspoken supporter of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanc-

**Associated Press**

tions movement targeting Israel's treatment of Palestinians.

The civil rights institute's president and CEO, Andrea Taylor, said in October that the organization was "thrilled to bestow this honor" on Davis whom she described as "one of the most globally recognized champions of human rights, giving voice to those who are powerless to speak."

But the institute announced Saturday that in late December, "supporters and other concerned individuals and organizations, both inside and outside of our local community, began to make requests that we reconsider our decision."

The statement did not indicate what criteria Davis didn't meet, nor did it identify the origin of the complaints. Many people responded with outrage on Twitter and Facebook.

Mayor Woodfin called the museum's decision a reactive and divisive decision and offered to facilitate a community dialogue in response. While the city helps fund the museum, one of the top tourist draws in Alabama, it doesn't get involved in "programmatic decisions," Woodfin said. □

# Man arraigned from hospital bed in crash that killed Mummies

**Associated Press**

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)**—A man who apparently stabbed himself before driving into an SUV in Philadelphia, killing three people, has been arraigned from his hospital bed on homicide charges. Bail was set at \$1.75 million for 29-year-old Keith Campbell after Monday's arraignment.

Witnesses told police Campbell crossed the median into oncoming traffic while speeding before crashing into the SUV Wednesday.

Two of the three killed were members of a string band that had performed in the annual New Year's Day Mummies Parade.

A fourth person suffered a broken pelvis and other injuries.



Police prepare to tow the damaged vehicles driven by stabbing victim Keith Campbell from an accident scene at 7th Streets and Packer Ave., in Philadelphia, Wednesday, Jan. 2, 2019.

**Associated Press.**

Campbell, of Bear, Delaware, is charged with three counts of homicide by vehicle in the deaths of Denis Palandro Jr., Joseph Ferry and Kelly Wiseley.

He also faces one count of aggravated assault and related charges.

No attorney was listed for Campbell in online court documents. □

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## Trial starts in sledgehammer killings of California family



In this May 19, 2015, file photo,, Charles "Chase" Merritt, who is charged in the deaths of a family of four whose bodies were found three years after their disappearance, waits for his preliminary hearing in San Bernardino, Calif.

By Associated Press

**SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. (AP)** — The 2010 disappearance of a family from their Southern California home puzzled investigators for years, with no signs of forced entry and the couple's credit cards untouched.

After their remains were found three years later in the desert more than 100 miles (160 kilometers) away, authorities charged a man with the killings, alleging he

used a sledgehammer to beat to death his business partner, the partner's wife and two young sons before burying them in the remote area.

Now, Charles "Chase" Merritt is on trial in the deaths of Joseph McStay; McStay's wife, Summer; and their 3- and 4-year-old boys. Opening statements began Monday in San Bernardino County, where the family's remains were found.

Merritt, 61, has pleaded not

guilty and could face the death penalty if convicted. Authorities have said Merritt's cellphone was traced to the remote gravesites and to a call days later seeking to close out McStay's online bookkeeping account.

They also say Merritt's DNA was discovered on the steering wheel and gearshift of McStay's SUV, which was impounded near the Mexican border a few days after the family vanished.

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Defense attorney James McGee said McStay could have transferred that DNA to the vehicle after he met with Merritt shortly before the family vanished. McGee also said none of Merritt's DNA was found at the gravesites but DNA belonging to other unidentified individuals turned up there. "From the evidence the government is going to present, our argument is going to be: You had the wrong guy," McGee said. Britt Imes, supervising deputy district attorney for San Bernardino County, said he could not comment on ongoing cases.

The McStay family disappeared from their home in Fallbrook, which is about 50 miles (80 km) north of San Diego, in 2010. Their remains

were found in 2013 along with a 3-pound (1.4-kilogram) sledgehammer and a child's pants and diaper. Authorities have said all four victims were believed to have been killed by blunt-force trauma to the head.

Investigators have said they spoke with Merritt shortly after the family went missing and noticed he referred to them in the past tense. They also have said a customer service representative told them he received a call about McStay's QuickBooks account, which he used to pay vendors connected to his water features business, after he vanished.

The call, according to authorities, was placed from Merritt's cellphone. □

## Ginsburg misses Supreme Court arguments for the 1st time

By MARK SHERMAN, Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg is missing arguments for the first time in more than 25 years as she recuperates from cancer surgery last month, the Supreme Court said. Ginsburg was not on the bench as the court met Monday to hear arguments. It was not clear when she would return to the court, which will hear more cases Tuesday and Wednesday, and again next week.

Court spokeswoman Kathy Arberg said the 85-year-old justice is continuing

to recuperate and work from home after doctors removed two cancerous growths from her left lung on Dec. 21.

Ginsburg was discharged from a New York hospital on Dec. 25.

Chief Justice John Roberts said in the courtroom Monday that Ginsburg would participate in deciding the argued cases "on the basis of the briefs and transcripts of oral arguments."

Ginsburg had two earlier cancer surgeries in 1999 and 2009 that did not cause her to miss court sessions. She also has broken ribs on at least two occa-

sions. The court said doctors found the growths on Ginsburg's lung when she was being treated for fractured ribs she suffered in a fall at her office on Nov. 7. After past health scares, Ginsburg has come back to work relatively quickly. In 2009, she was at the court for arguments on Feb. 23, 18 days after surgery for pancreatic cancer.

Weeks after her fall in November, Ginsburg was asking questions at high court arguments, speaking at a naturalization ceremony for new citizens and being interviewed at screenings of the new movie about

her, "On the Basis of Sex." Her latest surgery was a procedure called a pulmonary lobectomy at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

The court said in a release issued the day of the surgery that doctors found "no evidence of any remaining disease" and scans taken before the surgery showed no cancerous growths elsewhere in her body. No additional treatment is currently planned, the court said.

Appointed by President Bill Clinton in 1993, Ginsburg rebuffed suggestions from some liberals that she

should step down in the first two years of President Barack Obama's second term, when Democrats controlled the Senate and would have been likely to confirm her successor.

She already has hired clerks for the term that extends into 2020, indicating she has no plans to retire.

If she did step down, President Donald Trump would have another opportunity to move a conservative court even more to the right.

On the day she had surgery, Trump tweeted his wishes for Ginsburg's "full and speedy recovery!" □

# Britain testing 'no-deal' scenario as Brexit vote nears

By **GREGORY KATZ**

**Associated Press**

**LONDON (AP)** — Britain is testing how its motorway and ferry system would handle a "no-deal" Brexit by sending a stream of trucks from a closed local airport to the port of Dover — even as some legislators try to pressure the government to rule out the scenario.

The tests began Monday morning and are intended to gauge how severe the disruption would be if Britain leaves the European Union on March 29 without an agreed-upon withdrawal deal.

It is widely expected that an abrupt departure would lead to the introduction of tariff and customs barriers that would slow fast-moving ferry and rail traffic that links Britain to continental Europe. There are concerns that major traffic jams leading in and out of ferry ports like Dover would greatly hamper trade and leave Britain without adequate food and medicine.

Parliament is expected to resume its debate over the government's planned withdrawal deal Wednesday,



**Some 150 trucks leave Manston Airfield during a 'no-deal' Brexit test for where 6,000 trucks could be parked at the airfield near Ramsgate in south east England, Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.**

day, with a vote widely expected a week later.

There are no indications that lobbying over the Christmas and New Year holiday period has garnered Prime Minister Theresa May more support for her plan.

The withdrawal agreement, which is required before more wide-ranging discussions on future relations

can commence, foresees relatively close economic ties with Europe, particularly in the immediate aftermath of Brexit, in order to avoid the imposition of a hard border between EU member Ireland and Northern Ireland, which is part of the U.K.

As well as frustrating a number of lawmakers who want a complete break from

the EU, the plan also raises the prospect that the U.K. could be "trapped" in a customs arrangement if no agreement on future trade ties is reached. There are also a number of lawmakers who have said they will vote against the deal because they want another referendum on Britain's membership of the EU.

A vote that had been

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scheduled in December was delayed as May admitted it would face certain defeat.

May said Monday she is still trying to get more from EU leaders, who insist they are not willing to sweeten the deal. She told hospital workers in Liverpool there has been "some further movement" from the EU but did not provide specifics.

"We are continuing to work on further assurances on further undertakings from the European Union in relation to the concern that has been expressed by parliamentarians," she said.

She was castigated in Parliament by Labour Party leader Jeremy Corbyn, who said the prime minister is wasting precious time by pushing a deal that has no support. The prospect of the bill's possible defeat next week has renewed concern about a "no-deal" scenario. Fears about economic disruption Monday prompted roughly 200 legislators including some from the prime minister's Conservative Party to write to May asking her to rule out the no-deal scenario. □

# Italian mayors, governors challenge government asylum law

By **FRANCES D'EMILIO**

**Associated Press**

**ROME (AP)** — The ranks of prominent citizens opposed to a new Italian law cracking down on asylum-seekers swelled on Monday, with more governors announcing court challenges to the populist government's measure.

The law, approved first in the form of a government decree and later by Parliament late last year, tightens criteria for migrants receiving humanitarian protection, granting that status only to victims of labor exploitation, human trafficking, domestic violence, natural calamities and a few other limited situations. Previously, many asylum-seekers who failed to qualify for full asylum were accorded humanitarian



**People protest Italian populist's government crackdown on asylum-seekers, in Milan, Italy, Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.**

protection, with Italy allowing them to stay for a fixed term and receive social benefits. Interior Minister Matteo Salvini, who leads the anti-migrant League party, contends Italian authorities had been too elastic in the past in granting such protection.

The new law bans asylum-

seekers from gaining residency, which is needed to apply for public housing or a place for their children in public nursery schools, as well as complete access to Italy's national health care system. And those accorded humanitarian protection won't be eligible for shelter in government-run

facilities for asylum-seekers, sparking concern they'll end up living on the street. Piedmont Gov. Sergio Chiamparino told Sky TG24 TV Monday that he'll ask Italy's constitutional court to decide whether the law violates the Constitution. He said he'd join forces with Tuscany's governor in the court challenge.

"A really wide movement is being created" to challenge the residency measure, Tuscany Gov. Enrico Rossi said in Florence. He explained that Tuscany's challenge would take aim on the tightened criteria for humanitarian protection as well as the ban on achieving residency.

Umbria, another central region, also decided on a court challenge of the law. Chiamparino said in the

meanwhile his region would continue to provide full health care for asylum-seekers and insisted by doing so, he wasn't disobeying the law.

"We are simply obeying a fundamental principle that someone with a health problem gets treatment," Chiamparino said.

Last week, the mayors of Palermo, Naples and some smaller cities vowed not to implement the law. Others, like Milan's mayor, sharply criticized the law, but said they would implement it unless courts ruled otherwise.

In Milan, on Monday evening, about 50 critics of the crackdown protested outside city hall. Some banged wooden spoons on pot lids to draw attention to their cause. □



# Former pro boxer in custody after assault on French police

**By SAMUEL PETREQUIN**  
**Associated Press**  
**PARIS (AP)** — A man identified as a former boxing pro and suspected of viciously attacking riot police officers with his fists and feet during the latest yellow vest protests in France has turned himself in and was placed in custody on Monday, authorities said.

The suspect, identified by French media as Christophe Dettinger, was filmed beating up police officers Saturday in Paris in videos that went viral on social media and created an outpouring of comments either praising or lambasting the man's actions.

Clashes hit Paris for the eighth straight week of yellow vest protests this past weekend and prompted French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe on Monday to announce the mobilization of around 80,000 police next Saturday. He also said the French government wants to sanction protesters who don't officially register their protests.

The 37-year-old suspect, whose violent outbursts



Riot police officers take position at the Champs Elysees avenue during a yellow vest protest in Paris, Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019.

dominated media coverage of the protests, is a former French champion in the light heavyweight category, according to media reports. In a video message recorded before he surrendered to police, Dettinger acknowledged

his wrongdoing but said he just tried to defend himself after he and his wife were tear-gassed by police. "I have the people's anger inside me. I see all these presidents, ministers and the State stuffing themselves, being incapable

of leading by example," Dettinger said. "It's always us, the little ones, who pay. French people, I'm with you wholeheartedly. We need to keep fighting peacefully." The suspect was involved in at least two fights in down-

town Paris on Saturday. On one video, he can be seen aiming several punches at an officer trying to protect himself with his shield on a Paris bridge close to the National Assembly, the lower house of parliament. In another video, wearing a black hat and gloves, he kicks a police officer lying on the ground.

"What shocked me the most and I think for you it's the same thing, it's to see him hitting the poor policeman when he's on the ground," Boucher said. "And especially when you know he's a boxer. In boxing, you learn not to hit a man on the ground. Never. And he did it."

The suspect was quickly identified but remained on the loose until he turned himself in on Monday.

Dettinger, known when he was boxing professionally as "the Gypsy of Massy," after a town in the southern suburbs of Paris, was praised by many yellow vest protesters, lauding his courage while criticizing alleged police brutality during the protests. □

# Alps avalanche risk high, several dead in weather incidents

**By KIRSTEN GRIESHABER**  
**Associated Press**  
**BERLIN (AP)** — Authorities in Austria and southern Germany warned Monday that the risk for avalanches in the northern Alps remains high after several people died in weather-related incidents.

A 28-year-old man and a 23-year-old woman who went missing while snowshoeing were found dead near Salzburg in central Austria, while about 40 rescuers with dogs were still searching for two others who went missing while snowshoeing near Hohenberg in Lower Austria, the Austrian news agency APA reported.

In Germany, 44-year-old man died in Wackersberg in Bavaria when he was hit by tree branches brought down by heavy snow, po-



Truck drivers help each other after being trapped by heavy snowfall on the Autobahn A8 near Holzkirchen, southern Germany, Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.

lice said. Authorities also said Monday that a woman who was buried by an avalanche last week in the Uri canton (state) of Switzerland died of her injuries Saturday. Also on the weekend, three skiers in Austria were killed by avalanches and one

woman in Bavaria died in a weather-related incident. The Hochkar alpine road and the entire Hochkar skiing region in Lower Austria were closed because of the high risk of avalanches. Residents and visitors were asked to leave the region by the end of the day. □

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# Malaysia royals to pick new king Jan. 24 after abdication

By EILEEN NG

Associated Press

**KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia**

**(AP)** — Malaysia's royal families will meet on Jan. 24 to pick a new king after Sultan Muhammad V abdicated unexpectedly after just two years on the throne, an official said Monday.

The 49-year-old ruler resigned Sunday as Malaysia's 15th king, marking the first abdication in the nation's history and cutting short his five-year term. No reason was given, but the move came after he reportedly married a 25-year-old former Russian beauty queen in November while on medical leave.

Keeper of the Ruler's Seal, Syed Danial Syed Ahmad, said the Council of Rulers held a meeting Monday and set Jan. 24 to elect a new king. He said in a statement that the new king would be sworn in on Jan. 31.

The council comprises nine hereditary state rulers who take turns as Malaysia's king for five-year terms. Malaysia is the only country in the world to have a ro-



In this July 17, 2018, file photo, Malaysian King Sultan Muhammad V salutes during the national anthem at the opening of the 14th parliament session at the Parliament house in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

tational monarchy under a unique system maintained since the country's independence from Britain in 1957.

Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad said earlier Monday that it was up to the Council of Rulers to pick the new king, but added that

he hoped it would be done quickly.

During his first stint as prime minister for 22 years until his retirement in 2003, Mahathir pushed through constitutional amendments that stripped the sultans' power to veto state and federal legislation, and curbed

their legal immunity.

The monarch's role is largely ceremonial, since administrative power is vested in the prime minister and parliament. But the monarch is highly regarded, particularly among the ethnic Malay Muslim majority, as the supreme upholder of Islam

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and Malay tradition.

Sultan Muhammad V was installed as king in December 2016. He was one of Malaysia's youngest constitutional monarchs and has a love for extreme sports.

Reports in Russian and British media and on social media featured photos of his wedding with a former Miss Moscow that reportedly took place in Moscow. Neither the sultan, the palace nor the government had officially confirmed the wedding.

Speculation that Sultan Muhammad V would step down emerged last week, shortly after he returned from a two-month leave, but Mahathir had said Friday that he was unaware of any abdication plans.

National police chief Mohamad Fuzi Harun warned the public Monday not to speculate on Sultan Muhammad V's abdication. He was quoted as saying by local media that police had received several reports of provocative statements being made on social media and were investigating. □

# Gabon government thwarts coup attempt, 2 plotters dead

By YVES LAURENT GOMA

Associated Press

**LIBREVILLE, Gabon (AP)** —

Gabon's government has retained control of the West African country after an attempted military coup early Monday in which two plotters were killed, the government said.

Five army officers who took over state radio in the coup attempt have been arrested, government spokesman Guy-Bertrand Mapangou, told Radio France International.

Authorities regained control of state broadcasting offices and a major thoroughfare in the capital, Libreville, which were the only areas taken over by the officers, the spokesman said.

Two of the coup participants were killed when security forces took over and freed some hostages, according to a presidential



In this image from TV, a soldier who identified himself as Lt. Obiang Ondo Kelly, commander of the Republican Guard, reads a statement on state television broadcast from Libreville, saying the military has seized control of the government, Monday Jan. 7, 2019.

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statement reported by RFI. Earlier Monday a soldier who identified himself as Lt. Obiang Ondo Kelly, commander of the Republican Guard, read out a statement saying the military had seized control of Gabon's government in order to "restore democracy."

He was flanked by two other soldiers holding weapons; all were dressed in camouflage uniforms and green berets.

Those soldiers have been taken into custody and President Ali Bongo's government remains in control, the government spokes-

man said. A curfew has been imposed over the capital, Libreville, and the internet was cut. The city on the Atlantic Ocean coast was being patrolled by military tanks and armed vehicles.

The African Union affirmed its support for the Bongo government.

"The African Union strongly condemns the coup attempt this morning in Gabon," the head of the African Union Commission, Moussa Faki Mahamat, said on Twitter. "I reaffirm the AU's rejection of all anti-constitutional change."

Bongo, in power since 2009, has been out of the country since October amid reports that he had a stroke. He recently addressed the country in a New Year's message that was filmed in Morocco, where he has been receiving medical treatment.

Gabon, which is sub-Saharan Africa's third-largest oil producer, has been ruled for more than half a century by Bongo and his father, Omar, who died in 2009. Critics have accused the family of profiting from the country's natural resources while not investing enough in basic services for the population of more than 2 million. About one-third of the population lives below the poverty line, according to the World Bank.

In his brief New Year's address, the 59-year-old Bongo declared that the country was "indivisible" and acknowledged his health problems without giving details. "A difficult period," he called it, and a challenge that he surmounted "thanks to God." He promised to put all of his efforts into improving the daily quality of life for Gabon's people. □



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## Saudi woman seeking asylum can stay temporarily in Thailand

By KAWEEWIT KAEWJINDA  
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Associated Press

**BANGKOK (AP)** — An 18-year-old Saudi woman who fled her family over alleged abuse and barricaded herself in a Bangkok airport hotel room in a desperate bid for asylum will be allowed to stay in Thailand while her case is evaluated by the U.N. refugee agency, immigration authorities said Monday.

Rahaf Mohammed Alqunun grabbed global attention when she sent out pleas for help via social media, saying she feared for her life if she were put on a plane back to Kuwait, where she had slipped away from her family, or her homeland.

Instead, she has been allowed to enter Thailand temporarily under the protection of the U.N. refugee agency, which was expected to take about five to seven days to study her case and her claim for asylum. She said she wants to go to Australia to seek refuge there.

"We will not send anyone to die. We will not do that. We will adhere to human rights under the rule of law," said Thai Immigration Police chief Maj. Gen. Surachate Hakparn.

Alqunun's plight mirrors that of other Saudi women who in recent years have turned to social media to amplify their calls for help while trying to flee abusive families and other obstacles they face in the conservative kingdom.

Photos released Monday night by immigration police showed Alqunun with Thai and U.N. officials after she left the airport transit hotel room where she had been holed up over the weekend, sending her pleas



In this photo released by the Immigration Bureau, Saudi woman Rahaf Mohammed Alqunun, foreground walks by Chief of Immigration Police Maj. Gen. Surachate Hakparn, right, before leaving the Suvarnabhumi Airport in Bangkok Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.

for help on her Twitter account. She later tweeted that she feels safe under U.N. protection and has gotten back her passport, which had been taken from her earlier.

Alqunun's ordeal began when she fled from her family while in Kuwait and boarded a flight to Thailand, apparently taking advantage of being away from Saudi Arabia's restrictions on women who cannot travel abroad without a man's consent.

Upon arriving at Bangkok's Suvarnabhumi Airport on Saturday night, she said she was met by a man whom she identified at various times as either a Kuwait Airways employee or a Saudi diplomat, who took her passport and said he would help her gain entry to Thailand. Saudi Arabia denies its officials were involved in any way.

When the man returned about an hour later with four or five other people, they said they knew she had run away, that her family wanted her back, and she should go home to Saudi Arabia. She was sent to a hotel room, and told she would be put on a Monday morning flight to Kuwait.

She then went online, sending out pleas for assistance over Twitter, and also barricaded her hotel room door. Global attention was sparked by social media and she did not get on the scheduled morning flight to Kuwait.

Alqunun wrote of being in "real danger" if forced to return to her family in Saudi Arabia, and said in media interviews that she might be killed. She told the BBC that she had renounced Islam and was fearful of her father's retaliation.

lian lawmakers, Germany's ambassador to Thailand and human rights agencies, Thai officials agreed to allow U.N. refugee officials to meet with her.

The office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees said it expected to take at least 5-7 days to evaluate her case and claims, according to Surachate, the Thai immigration police chief.

Giuseppe De Vincentiis, the UNHCR representative in Thailand, told journalists he did not know where Alqunun would be staying but that she would be safe because she was under his agency's protection. UNHCR declined to release any details of its meeting with her, but De Vincentiis noted "a good spirit of collaboration so far" with Thai officials.

Surachate said Alqunun's father was due to arrive Monday night, and officials would see if she was willing to meet with him.

"As of now, she does not wish to go back and we will not force her. She won't be sent anywhere tonight," Surachate said at a news conference. □

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Her Twitter account attracted more than 66,000 followers in less than 48 hours and her story grabbed the attention of foreign governments and the U.N. refugee agency. As the pressure grew, with concern expressed by Austra-

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## Guatemala bars entry to UN-sponsored corruption investigator

By **SONNY FIGUEROA**  
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**GUATEMALA CITY (AP) —**

Authorities in Guatemala were holding a member of a U.N.-sponsored anti-corruption commission in the capital's airport on Sunday, refusing him entry to the country in an escalation of tensions between the government and the commission.

Colombian national Yilen Osorio was detained by Guatemalan immigration officials upon arrival at the airport Saturday afternoon. The move comes despite a court ruling that Guatemala must grant visas and entry to members of the commission known as CICIG, which has investigated top members of Guatemala's government, as well as President Jimmy Morales' son and his brother. They deny accusations of corruption.

Guatemala's attorney general sent more than 30 representatives and security personnel to the airport to protect Osorio. Meanwhile, civic groups protested his detention outside the airport, where more than 100 police were standing guard. On Sunday, two immigration officials were ar-



**People rally to show support for the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG) outside La Aurora International Airport in Guatemala City, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019.**

**Associated Press**

rested for refusing to allow Osorio through.

There was no immediate comment on the standoff from the president's office. Osorio heads an investigation of alleged bribery implicating the vice president of congress and others. He also participated in a campaign finance investigation into the dealings of Morales' political party.

Morales, 49, has been in office for nearly three years

out of a possible four-year term as president. There are no re-elections for president in Guatemala.

Elections are due this year, and some worry that Morales wants to extend his rule.

Morales has stated that he would like to remain in office, arguing that little can be done in four years.

"What's in play is elections to remain in power," warned Helen Mack, a

Guatemalan human rights activist. "CICIG is just an excuse for what they want; they have co-opted various institutions."

Nobel Peace Prize winner and indigenous rights activist Rigoberta Menchu accused the executive branch of embodying corruption and impunity. "We can't allow this setback," she said.

Morales, formerly a comedic actor on television, rose

to power in a landslide 2015 vote amid widespread disillusionment with Guatemala's political class.

At the time, Vice President Roxana Baldetti and President Otto Perez Molina had stepped down from office to face fraud and corruption charges.

The evangelical Christian's administration, however, has also been dogged by accusations of corruption and money laundering.

The U.N.-sponsored CICIG has operated for more than a decade in Guatemala, pressing charges in corruption cases that have implicated more than 600 people.

Morales refused to renew CICIG's mandate in the country early last year, and then barred its chief from returning to Guatemala from a business trip to the United States.

In October, the commission said the government denied visas for 11 of its investigators.

Then, in December, the Foreign Ministry withdrew the investigators' diplomatic immunity and gave them 72 hours to leave the country. However, three days later a court ordered the visas to be issued. □

## Mexico defends hands-off stance on Venezuela

**Associated Press**

**MEXICO CITY (AP) —** Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador defended his administration's hands-off policy on Venezuela Monday, saying it marked a return to the country's longstanding policy of non-intervention. Lopez Obrador's new administration has reversed years of Mexican pressure on Venezuela, refusing to sign a Lima Group declaration Friday urging Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro not to assume power for a second term.

The new policy is not without its critics. On Friday a Colombian woman approached Lopez Obrador at an airport — the president flies commercial class on regular flights — and asked him why Mexico



**Mexico's President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador speaks during the presentation of his new economic program for the northern border zone, in Tijuana, Mexico, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019.**

**Associated Press**

hadn't taken a position on Venezuela.

"I don't get involved in other countries' affairs," Lopez Obrador answered her.

On Monday, he acknowledged that "this is an issue that generates a lot of

polemics, but it should be understood that this is not an issue of political sympathies." Some have accused Lopez Obrador, a leftist, of sympathizing with Maduro, a self-declared socialist.

But Lopez Obrador said

it is a return to the non-intervention policy Mexico practiced from the 1960s — when it resisted U.S. pressure to condemn or isolate Cuba — until 2000, when the conservative National Action Party began to adopt a more activist, U.S.-allied stance in foreign affairs. In Lima, Peru on Friday, a dozen Latin American governments and Canada questioned the legitimacy of Maduro's soon-to-begin second term and urged him to hand over power to restore democracy in his crisis-wracked South American country.

Lopez Obrador said Monday that Mexico "cannot be getting involved in the internal affairs of other countries, because we don't want anybody, any foreign government, get-

ting involved in Mexico's internal affairs."

"For me the best foreign policy is domestic policy," Lopez Obrador said. "This doesn't just apply to Venezuela's case."

Lopez Obrador may be positioning Mexico to serve as a trusted mediator in any possible negotiated solution to Venezuela's crisis.

Raul Benitez, a security expert and professor at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, said foreign policy has been an area Lopez Obrador has shown talent in, and the Mexican leader braved criticism by inviting Maduro to his Dec. 1 inauguration.

"Maduro is isolated, and Mexico could be a negotiator ... because Maduro will have confidence in him," Benitez said. □

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## For the first time in the Caribbean region The Casino at The Ritz-Carlton, Aruba reveals their awesome campaign for 2019: WIN A FERRARI 488 SPIDER!

**PALM BEACH** - After much anticipation, everybody is eager to know what The Casino at The Ritz-Carlton, Aruba is launching this year after many successful promotions and events in 2018.

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## Team Aruba readies for 2019 tour, including four NHRA nationals



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**ORANJESTAD —** Team Aruba enjoyed a historic year in 2018. They debuted a gorgeous new Jerry Haas-built 2018 Mustang, attended their first ever NHRA U.S. Nationals, went to the semi finals or finals at every race, and driver Trevor Eman welcomed his second baby girl, Maya, into the world. This varied success has laid the groundwork for a promising 2019.

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Eman and the Aruba.com Mustang will once again compete on their regular Professional Drag Racers Association circuit, chasing an Extreme Pro Stock Championship. However, after the initial test run for incorporating mountain motors with the traditional 500 inch motors of NHRA Pro Stock at the U.S. Nationals, NHRA has announced mountain motors will be able to join their field of Pro Stocks at four events in 2019.

Combining the two versions of Pro Stock was a monumental move by NHRA. The organization will continue to test the waters in 2019. Team Aruba is excited to be a part of the changes. "Mountain Motor Pro Stock will participate in four NHRA National events in 2019, which could not have come at a better time," explained team

"We're very excited about our 2019 season. The car has been running extremely well, we've got an incredible crew, and there are many amazing opportunities ahead for us. We want to thank our crew: John and Julie Peterson, Henito Orman, Bruce Morgan, Doug Schriefer, Pat Norcia, Jon Kaase Racing Engines and crew. They work hard to help this car perform well and keep us running. We also have deep gratitude for our partners, Aruba.com and the Aruba Airport Authority. Their loyalty over the years is what got us this far. Next year is going to be very exciting for us, and we can't wait to take them with us."

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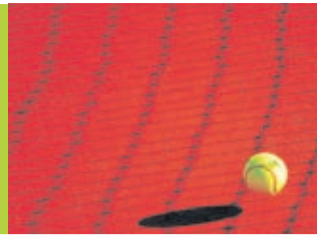
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# SPORTS



In this Dec. 26, 2018, file photo, Cleveland Cavaliers forward Kevin Love works out on a stationary bike during an NBA basketball game between the Cavaliers and the Memphis Grizzlies, in Memphis, Tenn.  
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## Cavs' Love still weeks from return to court after surgery

By TOM WITHERS  
Sports Writer

**INDEPENDENCE, Ohio (AP)** — Kevin Love's comeback has been slow and steady. The Cleveland Cavaliers need it to speed up. Love said Monday that he's still weeks away from doing any significant on-court work as the five-time All-Star forward recovers from left foot surgery that has sidelined him nearly all season.

Love was recently cleared to accelerate his rehab, but he isn't sure when he'll play and suggested he could be out until after February's All-Star break.

"I don't know," he said when asked for a time-frame on his return. "It's really tough for me to say because I don't know how my foot is going to respond.

Hopefully it will be sooner rather than later."

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# 4 Of A Kind



## Hurricanes top Senators for 4th straight win

Ottawa Senators goaltender Anders Nilsson (31) makes a shoulder save as Carolina Hurricanes' Lucas Wallmark looks on during second-period NHL hockey play in Ottawa, Ontario, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019.

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# Xander the Great: Schauffele joins golf's rising generation

By **DOUG FERGUSON**

**AP Golf Writer**

**KAPALUA, Hawaii (AP)** — To say that Xander Schauffele has come a long way depends on the view.

Eighteen months ago, Schauffele had played 18 times on the PGA Tour and missed the cut in half of them. But after he tied for fifth in his first U.S. Open at Erin Hills, the 25-year-old from San Diego has taken his place among golf's emerging generation of stars. Schauffele picked up his fourth PGA Tour victory Sunday when he holed two shots for eagle, nearly chipped in for two more and finished with two clutch birdies for an 11-under 62 to win the Sentry Tournament of Champions at Kapalua. He tied the Plantation Course record and set tournament records for the lowest closing round by a winner and largest comeback over the last 18 holes (five shots).

The victory, his second of the PGA Tour season following his HSBC Champions title last fall, moved him to No. 6 in the world.

"This is the stuff you dream about," Schauffele said after his one-shot victory over hard-luck Gary Woodland. "But to actually pull it off, it feels awesome. I could see



**Xander Schauffele hits onto the 10th green during the final round of the Tournament of Champions golf event, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019, at Kapalua Plantation Course in Kapalua, Hawaii.**

myself doing it, but it's hard to believe just sitting here and talking about it."

Watching the trophy presentation was Alex Nakajima, the general manager at Kapalua Resort, whose view is much longer than 18 months.

He first saw Schauffele before the boy could even hold a golf club. It was 1994, when Nakajima was an assistant pro at Princeville on Kauai. The club had just hired Stefan Schauffele as

an assistant, who never finished his PGA certification but knew enough about golf, passion and determination to pass it along to his son.

"It's awesome," the father said as he spoke of his brief time on Kauai, and the friends who were at Kapalua to watch the riveting charge Sunday.

Nor is he willing to inject himself into the category of the best young players in golf.

He is part of the fabled high school class of 2011, which includes Jordan Spieth, Justin Thomas and Daniel Berger. Spieth and Thomas already have risen to No. 1 and won majors. That's where Schauffele wants to get.

To even be mentioned in that group, he said, has "kind of a weird sound to it."

In his four victories, he overcame a three-shot deficit to win the Greenbrier Clas-

sic, a two-shot deficit to beat Thomas at the Tour Championship in 2017, a three-shot deficit to win his first World Golf Championship in Shanghai, and a five-shot deficit to beat the winners-only field at Kapalua.

He is one ranking spot behind 25-year-old Bryson DeChambeau, who has four PGA Tour victories. He is one spot ahead of 24-year-old Jon Rahm, who has two PGA Tour victories and three on the European Tour. "I just still feel like an underdog," Schauffele said. "I feel like until you're No. 1, you're chasing. So guys like Bryson and Justin ... JT has put together a ton of good years. Brooks (Koepka) has been crushing it. They keep putting that flag way out there for me to go chase, and I feel like that's what I've been doing."

Did anyone see this coming when he won a playoff for one of the last spots in that 2017 U.S. Open at Erin Hills? "I really wasn't surprised," said his father, the only coach Schauffele has had. "I was hoping he could win in the first year and we'd see from there. Top 50 was a goal, and now he has progressed a little quicker. You'll only find out when you're there." □

# Al-Attiyah wins opening stage of Dakar Rally in Peru

**Associated Press**

**LIMA, Peru (AP)** — Nasser Al-Attiyah made a great start to winning a third Dakar Rally title when he won the opening stage by almost two minutes on Monday.

Al-Attiyah made light work of the 84-kilometer special on the dunes around Pisco along the Pacific coast.

He led by 38 seconds at the first marker, and by 45 seconds at the halfway point. Defending champion Carlos Sainz, another two-time winner, was second.

Jakub Przygonski was third. The overall champion of the Cross-country Rallies World Cup is trying to become the first Polish winner

of the Dakar.

Seven-time winner Stephane Peterhansel was three minutes back in seventh, and Sebastien Loeb was more than six minutes back. Joan Barreda showed the focus of his buildup on being fit paid off when he won first motorbike stage by a minute from Pablo Quintanilla. Barreda's Honda teammate, Ricky Brabec, was third.

Barreda had to withdraw last year on the 11th stage while lying second overall because of knee and hand injuries.

This Dakar has been reduced to a 10-stage race on Peruvian sand, finishing in Lima on Jan. 17. □



**Joan Barreda of Spain rides his Honda motorbike during the first stage of the Dakar Rally between Lima and Pisco, Peru, Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.**

**Associated Press**

# Long and short of it: Tulowitzki happy if Yanks add Machado

By RONALD BLUM  
AP Baseball Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Troy Tulowitzki would be happy if the New York Yankees add Manny Machado to their infield, even if the move costs the 34-year-old short-stop playing time.

"Hey, I signed up to be a Yankee because I wanted to play with the best players," Tulowitzki said during a conference call Monday. "So if Manny is one of those guys, then I think that would be awesome. It would make the team that much stronger."

If Machado signs with the Yankees as a high-priced free agent, he presumably would take over at third base. Tulowitzki is projected to start in an infield with Miguel Andujar at third, Gleyber Torres at second and Luke Voit or Greg Bird at first. The Yankees needed a replacement for Didi Gregorius, who is recovering from Tommy John surgery on his right elbow and is not expected back until June, July or August.

When Gregorius returns, Tulowitzki might have a reduced role. If Machado and Gregorius are in the



In this July 20, 2016, file photo, Toronto Blue Jays' Troy Tulowitzki throws out Arizona Diamondbacks' Brandon Drury during the fourth inning of an interleague baseball game, in Phoenix.

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lineup, Tulowitzki might not get many at-bats.

"A lot can happen in that time," Tulowitzki said. "So when that time comes, we'll deal with that."

Sidelined by heel injuries since July 2017, Tulowitzki agreed last week to a one-year contract with the Yan-

kees for the major league minimum \$555,000. That will be offset against the \$20 million he is owed by Toronto, which released him last month. The Blue Jays also are responsible for \$14 million in salary for 2020 plus a \$4 million buyout of a 2021 team option.

"They were kind of headed in a different direction than I wanted to go," Tulowitzki said. "They were going to go young and commit to the young players."

A five-time All-Star, Tulowitzki has not played in the major leagues since July 2017. He started feeling problems with his heels around the time of his trade from Colorado to Toronto in July 2015 and spent last year recovering from April 2 surgery on both heels.

"I think it did allow me to hit that refresh button with my body and really catch up in some areas where I was just taking the field and constantly not being able to be myself and be confident in my body at times," he said. He doesn't think he was full fit until October.

"I started to say, oh, man, I'm feeling a lot better and excited about the upcoming year," he said.

Tulowitzki topped .300 or better four times from 2010-14 and 90 RBIs from 2009-11, boosted by hitter-friendly Coors Field.

"There's some extra motivation, definitely, with what I've been through. I think a lot of people have writ-

ten me off and said that at times maybe I'm done," he said. "There's no doubt about it, there's a chip on my shoulder but I would say my whole career I've kind of played that way and been that type of personality." He idolized Derek Jeter growing up, even wearing the No. 2 of the retired Yankees captain. He also emulated Cal Ripken Jr. and Nomar Garciaparra.

"The first thing that I think about when I think about Derek is his presence on and off the field," Tulowitzki said. "I definitely saw that from afar as a young kid and tried to do those same things ... and then when he did have all the success, too, he didn't let it get to his head."

Notes: New York agreed to a minor league contract with 29-year-old switch-hitting outfielder Billy Burns, who will report to big league spring training. The speedster hit .255 last year in 102 games for Triple-A Omaha with nine doubles, four homers, 10 steals and 36 RBIs. He has a .270 average with 55 RBIs in 242 big league games over four seasons. □

## Cavaliers Love Update

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Love has begun shooting and been "up on the toes a little bit" but not running. He's listening to his doctors and his body.

"I don't know when I'll be able to go one-on-one, two-on-two, three-on-three, but I think that's all part of the next few weeks I'd say," he said.

The 30-year-old played in just four games before undergoing surgery to have cartilage removed and fluid drained from around his left big toe. He got hurt in Cleveland's exhibition opener and tried to play through the pain before it got tough for him to walk.

Following the surgery, the Cavs initially thought Love might be back by the end of December, and he had targeted mid-January as a

possible return. However, it now appears he could be out until February.

One thing is certain: Love has no intention of sitting out the season.

"That's never really been the thought process — at least for me," said Love, who recently visited his surgeon in New York. "I want to play. I want to be out there with those guys. I feel like I would be letting my teammates down, and letting (coach) L.D. (Larry Drew) and the coaching staff down if I didn't get out there and play and get out there and play as soon as I could — so long as I'm healthy."

The Cavaliers need him badly.

At 8-32, they have the NBA's worst record and lost nine straight games going into Tuesday's matchup



In this May 21, 2018, file photo, Cleveland Cavaliers' Kevin Love (0) drives around Boston Celtics' Al Horford (42) during the first half of Game 4 of the NBA basketball Eastern Conference finals in Cleveland.

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with Indiana. Cleveland has lost its last five home games by at least 20 points — a league record — and a slew of injuries has made things tougher.

This isn't the season the

Cavs expected after signing Love to a four-year, \$120 million contract extension after LeBron James left as a free agent.

"It's a big setback, not in my career, but as far as our

team goes," he said. "It's just tough when you have several players out, veterans out and some of your top players that give you so much on both sides of the ball. I would just hope to come back, whether it be right before All-Star break, after All-Star break, just get things to start trending in the right direction and give the fans and this organization some hope for better times that are going to be here." Love's injury could complicate things if the Cavaliers intend to trade him. As he leaned on a wall inside the training facility, Love smiled when reminded that the trade deadline is approaching. His name has been linked to numerous deals almost since the day he arrived in 2014. He doesn't expect that to change.

"We'll see. If not, we will wait until summer," Love said of a possible trade. □

# Carolina Hurricanes vs. Ottawa Senators

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**OTTAWA, Ontario (AP)** —

Despite giving up two goals 8 seconds apart in the final minute of the second period to tie the game, the Carolina Hurricanes seemed to have no issues with a letdown in the third period on Sunday.

Justin Williams scored the winning goal and broke a 4-4 tie with a power-play goal at 7:34 of the third and the Hurricanes defeated the Ottawa Senators 5-4.

One minute later, Williams nearly scored again but he was robbed with a great glove save from Andres Nilsson, who came on in relief of Senators starter Marcus Hogberg in the second period.

Justin Faulk and Brock McGinn each had a goal and an assist and Carolina won its fourth straight game. Jaccob Slavin and Dougie Hamilton also scored for the Hurricanes, who got a 27-save performance from Petr Mrazek.

"It was surprisingly easy to (mentally) park (the end of the second period). I know you'll probably look at me and roll your eyes, but good teams pick each other up," Williams said.

"Mrazek came in and said 'that was on me' and we instantly said 'No, no, no. You've had our back all



**Carolina Hurricanes' Dougie Hamilton (19) celebrates his goal against the Ottawa Senators with teammates Brock McGinn (23) and Sebastian Aho (20) during second-period NHL hockey play in Ottawa, Ontario, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019.**

the time, so it's time for us to pick you up', and that's what teams do, they pick each other up. They don't let someone stew about it and we had a great third period and won the game."

Jean-Gabriel Pageau tied the game 4-4 in his return to Ottawa's lineup after

missing the entire season to date with a torn Achilles he suffered on the first day of training camp.

Just 8 seconds earlier in the second period, Rudolf Balcers scored his first NHL goal in his second career game as the Senators had their losing skid stretch to eight games. Matt Duch-

ene and Ryan Dzingel also scored for Ottawa.

Hogberg started in goal for the Senators and allowed three goals on 16 shots. Nilsson turned aside 11 of the 13 shots he faced.

"It was fast. The first few shifts were shorter than I expected," said Pageau of his first game since April.

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"It's hard to prepare at this level and it doesn't matter how hard you work out, it's totally different when you come into a game like that. Right off the bat I tried to get myself in the game. I take pride in playing for the Sens and playing this game at home after everything I've gone through since the first day of camp. It means a lot to me."

The Hurricanes had a fast start, scoring on two of their first three shots less than five minutes into the game.

Faulk opened the scoring with a power-play goal at 1:12 of the first period with a point shot that beat Hogberg. Then, at 4:28, McGinn scored a short-handed goal as he slid a backhand through Hogberg's legs on a breakaway.

"We're not doing enough of the little things to win right now and it sucks," said Senators forward Chris Tierney, who had two assists.

"We didn't start well and that hurt us. It just seems like every night it's something else and we need to figure out a way to get everything going at once to win in this league."

That was all the scoring in the opening period although the Senators created several good opportunities, but were unable to beat Mrazek. □

# Parkey's missed field goal ruled a block

**By ROB MAADDI**

**AP Pro Football Writer**

**PHILADELPHIA (AP)** —

Cody Parkey got an excuse he probably won't use.

Parkey's missed 43-yard field goal in the final seconds that gave the Philadelphia Eagles a 16-15 upset win over the Chicago Bears in Sunday's wild-card playoff game was officially ruled a block by the NFL.

Video showed Philadelphia's Treyvon Hester tipped the ball, which bounced off the upright and hit the crossbar.

Parkey was booed by Bears fans as he ran off the field after kneeling down with teammates and opponents for a postgame prayer. He



**Chicago Bears kicker Cody Parkey (1) watches as he misses a field goal in the final minute during the second half of an NFL wild-card playoff football game against the Philadelphia Eagles Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019, in Chicago.**

accepted responsibility for the loss afterward.

"There's really no answer to

it," Parkey said. "I thought I hit a good ball. Unfortunately, I didn't make it. I

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feel terrible, 100 percent take that loss on me. It is what it is. Sun is going to shine tomorrow.

Life is going to go on. Unfortunately, it's going to sting for a while."

The Eagles took a one-point lead when Nick Foles threw a 2-yard touchdown pass to Golden Tate with 56 seconds remaining. Mitchell Trubisky drove the Bears into position to win it, but Parkey's kick didn't go through. Philadelphia plays at New Orleans next Sunday.

Hester's block should absolve Parkey from blame, though Bears fans certainly won't let him forget it anytime soon. Parkey's

teammates stood by him after the game and players around the country quickly expressed their support on social media.

NBA star Dwayne Wade wrote on Twitter: "Most of you have no idea how hard this is to do. Cody Parkey way to face the media like a true professional. I'm a fan!"

Eagles kicker Jake Elliott wrote: "This is a standup guy that a lot of young players can look up to. This is how you handle adversity like a pro. Cody is a heck of a kicker and will be for a long time. No reason to be taking the heat he is especially when that ball was tipped. (hashtag) ClassAct" □

# Guardiola sends message to Liverpool as De Bruyne returns

By STEVE DOUGLAS  
AP Sports Writer

Receiving a pass at shoulder height while facing his own goal, Kevin De Bruyne headed the ball backward and over an opponent just behind him before spinning to collect it and race forward to start yet another Manchester City attack. That's just one snippet from the FA Cup match between City and Rotherham on Sunday.

It was only Rotherham, a struggling second-tier team. And a 7-0 rout is hardly the game to make big judgments.

But in a frustratingly injury-hit season, De Bruyne appears to be back and ready to give a lift to City's bid for trophies on four fronts. Everything about De Bruyne's display against Rotherham — his delivery from wide, his passing, his hard running and his skill — oozed class. "He is going to give us extra," City manager Pep Guardiola said. "The creativity in the final third, the fight. He has the vision to see what other people cannot see."

Guardiola also had a message for Liverpool, which leads City by four points in the English Premier League title race.

"We have done incredible in terms of results, but we have an opponent that has done better," he added. "Fifty points is incredible, it is huge. But they are an op-



Manchester City's Kevin De Bruyne, left crosses the ball under pressure from Rotherham's Ben Wiles during the English FA Cup third round soccer match between Manchester City and Rotherham United at Etihad stadium in Manchester, England, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019.

ponent that has done better than us without him.

"Now he is back. He will be fresh in the mind and the legs."

This was only De Bruyne's fifth start in a season in which he has been struck by two knee injuries and, most recently, a muscular problem.

City's midfield of De Bruyne, David Silva, and Fernando was the foundation of its record-setting year in the Premier League last season, but that trio has yet to play together once this season. Silva and Ferdinandinho have also been out with injuries in recent

weeks.

No wonder Guardiola is so delighted to have De Bruyne back, and he protected the midfielder ahead of City's packed upcoming schedule by taking him off after 67 minutes against Rotherham.

Next up is Burton Albion, a third-tier team managed by former England forward Nigel Clough, in the first leg of the English League Cup semifinals on Wednesday. City is coming off an exhilarating 2-1 win over Liverpool, followed by its biggest win in Guardiola's 2 1/2 years in charge. The team might also want to put the

semifinal to bed early by running up a big score in the first leg, so Guardiola can rest players for the second leg in two weeks.

All the best, Burton.

## TOTTENHAM VS. CHELSEA

The other semifinal match-up is between London rivals Tottenham and Chelsea, with the first leg at Tottenham's temporary home of Wembley Stadium on Tuesday.

It offers the latest chance for Tottenham to pick up a first trophy since 2008, with many pundits feeling the club needs something tangible to validate its progress under Mauricio Pochettino

since his arrival in 2014.

"Of course now, after nearly five years, the club is on another level than five years ago, but how we operate in four or five years didn't change," Pochettino said on Monday. "That is the point when sometimes people talk about winning titles. One thing is to reduce the gap with the top four, to be competitive, to create a team capable of fighting with the big sides."

"But if we want to win titles we need to operate in a different way."

Similarly, Chelsea coach Maurizio Sarri, who has also been lauded for his teams' style of play throughout a managerial career spent mostly in Italy, has yet to win a piece of silverware. At Chelsea, more than most English clubs, trophies are what managers are judged on.

## MORATA'S MISERY

It was one of the few times there should have been a big smile on Alvaro Morata's face.

He scored both of Chelsea's goals in its 2-0 win over Nottingham Forest in the FA Cup on Saturday, but still the Spain striker had the look of someone who would rather be anywhere else than a soccer field.

Upon getting substituted in the 75th minute, Morata looked to the ground as he trudged off and headed straight down the tunnel instead of to the bench. □

# WADA to return to Moscow lab in search of elusive data



In this file photo taken on Thursday, Sept. 20, 2018, Russian National Anti-doping Agency RUSADA head Yuri Ganus leaves the office in Moscow, Russia.

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**MOSCOW (AP)** — The World Anti-Doping Agency is returning to the Moscow anti-doping lab this week in hopes of obtaining data it did not receive before a Dec. 31 deadline.

The Russians were supposed to turn over the data as part of an agreement to reinstate Russia's anti-doping agency. But WADA officials were turned away last month when Russia raised a late objection that the equipment they brought was

not certified according to Russian law.

A WADA committee is scheduled to consider reimposing the ban next week, but that could be forestalled if WADA's experts obtain the data during their visit on Wednesday. Russian Sports Minister Pavel Kolobkov told state news agencies on Monday "all the technical issues have been straightened out."

The committee chair, Jonathan Taylor, says declaring the Russians non-compliant is "a last resort"

that is to be pursued only after "every opportunity to comply" has been presented.

Reimposing the ban could allow WADA to impose tougher penalties on Russia under new rules which could bar the country from hosting major international competitions. RUSADA chief executive Yuri Ganus said Russian sport was "standing on the edge of the abyss" in a letter last month to President Vladimir Putin pleading for the Russian state to cooperate more with WADA. □

# India secures historic test series win on Australian soil

By **KEIRAN SMITH**  
Associated Press

**SYDNEY (AP)** — India celebrated an historic test series victory in Australia after the weather-affected fourth match at the Sydney Cricket Ground finished in a draw.

Captain Virat Kohli's team entered the final day with hopes of a 3-1 series victory and also its first win at the SCG since 1978, but rain meant there was no play on Monday and umpires called it off early. The draw gave India a 2-1 series win.

"A very proud moment," Kohli said. "More so because for the last 12 months we understand what we have gone through as a team, we understand the kind of cricket we have been able to play.

"But the fact that the reward has come in the most historic series for Indian cricket is the cherry on the top of the cake."

Six hours of play was also lost on Sunday because of poor weather, but Kuldeep Yadav still had time to take his second five-wicket haul in tests as India rattled



**India's Kuldeep Yadav, left, and Ravindra Jadeja hold the Border-Gavaskar Trophy as they celebrate their series win over Australia after play was called off on day 5 of their cricket test match in Sydney, Monday, Jan. 7, 2019.**

through Australia's lower order with only a late 42-run rally by Mitchell Starc and Josh Hazlewood taking the hosts to 300 for just the second time this series.

Marcus Harris top-scored for the hosts with 79, Australia's highest individual score in the series.

Leading by 322 runs, Kohli had little hesitation in enforcing the follow-on and Australia reached six without loss in its second innings — with Harris unbeaten on two and Usman Khawaja

on four — when bad light stopped ended play on day four.

The last time Australia was required to follow-on at home was in 1988 against England at the SCG, a match which finished in a draw.

"We're really disappointed," Australia captain Tim Paine said. "We know we had some guys missing but we honestly felt coming into this series that in Australia, we could beat India. "Throughout the series,

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more often than not when those big moments came up, Virat (Kohli) scored a century or (Cheteshwar) Pujara scored one or (Jasprit) Bumrah bowled a great spell and got them through those moments."

India, which only needed to avoid a defeat here to clinch the series, effectively ended this match as a contest by scoring 622-7 declared over almost two full days after Kohli won the toss and batted. Man-of-the-series Pujara (193) scored his third century of the tour and Rishabh Pant made 159 not out as the India squad demonstrated it was a class above an Australian team weakened by the absence of the banned senior batsmen Steve Smith and David Warner.

Underscoring the current malaise of Australian cricket without its star players, Australian batsmen have scored only one century — Khawaja's 141 against Pakistan in Dubai — in a year, while India had five centuries in this series alone.

"Clearly, we know we're not going to win too many

test matches without scoring hundreds," Paine said. "But when guys are in their third, fourth test matches, it's hard. We had so many starts, throughout this series, it's just the experience of learning how to convert them."

India won the first test at Adelaide by 31 runs and last week's Boxing Day test in Melbourne by 137 runs to retain the Border-Gavaskar trophy. Harris' series-high score of 79 for Australia made it the first first time in any test series of three or more matches since 1958 that a team had a highest score below 80, according to the Australian Associated Press. It was also the first time ever Australia has gone through a four-test home series without a single batsman scoring a century. While India goes home to celebrate its first test series win here in 12 attempts, Australia's selectors have a matter of days to consider an overhaul of the Australian batting lineup for the upcoming two-test series against Sri Lanka in Brisbane and Canberra. □

# Vonn plans return to World Cup at speed races in Austria

By **ERIC WILLEMSSEN**  
Associated Press

Lindsey Vonn is planning to return from injury this weekend for speed races in Austria, resuming her quest for the all-time record for World Cup wins.

"I'm NOT done yet!!!," Vonn wrote Monday on Instagram alongside a video on her training during her recovery. "It's been a tough 6 weeks but I'm on skis again and excited to get back in the starting gate. See you in St. Anton this weekend."

St. Anton am Arlberg is hosting a downhill on Saturday, followed by a super-G the next day, with training starting Thursday. It's the first of three consecutive weekends of speed racing.

The women's World Cup record holder needs five more victories to break the overall record of 86 wins, set by Swedish great Inge-



**In this Feb. 4, 2018, file photo, United States' Lindsey Vonn celebrates on the podium after winning an alpine ski, women's world Cup downhill race, in Garmisch Partenkirchen, Germany.**

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mar Stenmark in the 1980s. Focusing on her specialties of downhill and super-G, Vonn skipped technical races in October and early November before hurting herself in a training crash at Copper Mountain in Colorado. She hyperextended and sprained a ligament in her knee and suffered

a bone bruise on Nov. 19, just over a week before her scheduled season start with two downhills and a super-G in one of her favorite resorts, Lake Louise, Alberta. Later, Vonn also missed a super-G in St. Moritz, Switzerland, as well as a super-G and a downhill in Val Gardena, Italy.

The 34-year-old American was initially planning to retire at the end of this season, but the injury setback prompted her to announce her participation in one more series of speed races in Lake Louise next season. Vonn was also expected to compete at next month's world championships in Are, Sweden.

Over her career, Vonn has had a long list of ailments, including torn ACLs, fractures near her left knee joint, a bruised shin, broken ankle, broken arm, sliced right thumb and concussions. She missed the 2014 Sochi Olympics after damaging her right knee.

Still, she was closing in on Stenmark's record toward the end of last season, when she won three of the last four races to raise her tally to 82.

The timing of her come-

back seems opportune, with six speed races scheduled over the next three weekends.

Vonn has competed in St. Anton twice before. She won two events on back-to-back days in December 2007, and she placed sixth and fourth, respectively, in January 2013, when she was returning to the circuit after a three-week layoff caused by an intestinal illness.

After St. Anton, the women's World Cup moves to Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy, on Jan. 19-20 and Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany, the following week. Each resort will host one downhill and one super-G. Vonn has won four overall World Cup titles and 10 medals at major championships, including downhill gold at the 2010 Vancouver Games. □

# Suarez gets 2nd shot to show he can ride with NASCAR's best

By JENNA FRYER  
AP Auto Racing Writer  
CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) —

Daniel Suarez will hit a reset on his career, getting a second chance to prove he can win at NASCAR's top level.

Pushed out of a ride with Joe Gibbs Racing, one of the top teams in the sport, Suarez found a soft landing at Stewart-Haas Racing. The SHR four-driver lineup combined for 12 victories last season and claimed half the spots in the round of eight in the playoffs.

"I came from a great team that is capable of winning races, but things just didn't work out for me there," Suarez told The Associated Press. "Maybe to win races in the Cup Series, I needed something different."

Suarez didn't have a choice because he became expendable when Gibbs hired 2017 champion Martin Truex Jr. That pushed Suarez out of a job after two lackluster seasons, with few seats available with top-tier teams. Suarez, who is Mexican and advanced through NASCAR's diversity program, is the only non-American full-time driver at



This May 6, 2018, file photo shows Daniel Suarez competing during the NASCAR Cup Series auto race, at Dover International Speedway in Dover, Del.

the top level.

It was critical that Suarez find a competitive ride because a seat with a mediocre team would have made it difficult to prove he belongs in the series. He won the Xfinity Series title driving for Gibbs in 2016 but was hastily moved to the Cup Series two months later when Carl Edwards abruptly retired.

He had 21 top-10 finishes in

72 Cup races. Now Suarez will replace Kurt Busch and drive the No. 41 Ford with a team that counts the Daytona 500 among its six victories and qualified for the playoffs in each of the four years Busch drove the car. Suarez recognized how fortunate he was to be released from one top team and land at another. He spent months talking to SHR but the deal was only con-

firmed Monday, on Suarez's 27th birthday and 41 days before he will make his debut in the No. 41 at the season-opening Daytona 500. He's hopeful the fresh start will give him the launch he needs in the Cup Series the way it did for Joey Logano, who was once dumped by Gibbs but became Cup champion in November driving for Team Penske, or for Aric Almirola, who was

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a mid-pack racer until he joined SHR last season and made the playoffs.

"I have done a lot of sacrifices in my life and my career to be here," Suarez told the AP. "I have been living in the U.S. almost eight years now. I came here to win races and win championships and I don't like when people outwork me. I have been working extremely hard the last two years, I was able to show that in winning the (Xfinity) championship, but the last two years have just been OK. I really felt like I was either doing something wrong or needed something different.

"This is my second chance with a top team and I am looking forward to the opportunity."

Suarez will be sponsored by Arris, a company that has backed him since 2016, and Haas Automation, which is owned by SHR co-founder Gene Haas.

"We're in racing to win and we believe Daniel Suarez can win," said Haas, noting that sponsoring Suarez himself helps the growth of his machine tool building company. □

# Ferrari replaces Arrivabene with Binotto as team principal

Associated Press  
MARANELLO, Italy (AP) —

Ferrari replaced Maurizio Arrivabene with Mattia Binotto as team principal on Monday following another failed Formula One title chase.

Binotto, who had been working as Ferrari's chief technical officer, has been with the team for nearly 25 years.

"After four years of untiring commitment and dedication, Maurizio Arrivabene is leaving the team," Ferrari said in a statement. "The decision was taken together with the company's top management after lengthy discussions related to Maurizio's long term personal interests as well as those of the team itself.

"With immediate effect, Mattia Binotto will take over



In this June 19, 2016 file photo, Ferrari team principal Maurizio Arrivabene grimaces prior to the start of the Formula One Grand Prix of Europe at the Baku circuit, in Baku, Azerbaijan.

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as Scuderia Ferrari's Team Principal. All technical areas will continue to report directly to Mattia."

While Ferrari driver Sebastian Vettel won the opening two races of the 2018 season and took pole po-

sition in three of the first four races, Ferrari's performance waned as the year went on, enabling Mercedes to win a fifth straight drivers' title with Lewis Hamilton.

Arrivabene had been in

charge since the 2015 season, having previously worked for Philip Morris, a key Ferrari sponsor.

Arrivabene's criticism of Ferrari's technical department may have resulted in his ouster.

Having joined Ferrari in 1995 as a test engine engineer, Binotto was involved in the team's golden years when Michael Schumacher won five titles. He was promoted to technical chief in July 2016. Binotto had reportedly been chosen previously as Arrivabene's successor by former Ferrari CEO Sergio Marchionne, who died in July.

Binotto was widely credited with creating cars that were competitive with Mercedes over the past two years — which put a spotlight on questionable stra-

tegic choices.

Arrivabene was criticized for the way Ferrari handled its home Italian Grand Prix in September, when a lack of team orders prevented Kimi Raikkonen from clearing the way for Vettel at the start — which was followed by contact between Vettel and Hamilton.

There was another tactical error concerning the choice of tires during qualifying for the Japanese GP. Hamilton clinched the title two races later in Mexico — with two GPs to spare — and finished with an 88-point advantage over Vettel.

In four seasons under Arrivabene, Ferrari won 14 races — 13 by Vettel and one by Raikkonen — and finished second three times in the constructors' standings. □

# Home items are getting smarter and creepier, like it or not

By **ANICK JESDANUN**

**Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — One day, finding an oven that just cooks food may be as tough as buying a TV that merely lets you click between channels.

Internet-connected “smarts” are creeping into cars, refrigerators, thermostats, toys and just about everything else in your home. CES 2019, the gadget show opening Tuesday in Las Vegas, will showcase many of these products, including an oven that coordinates your recipes and a toilet that flushes with a voice command.

With every additional smart device in your home, companies are able to gather more details about your daily life. Some of that can be used to help advertisers target you — more precisely than they could with just the smartphone you carry.

“It’s decentralized surveillance,” said Jeff Chester, executive director for the Center for Digital Democracy, a Washington-based digital privacy advocate. “We’re living in a world where we’re tethered to some online service stealthily gathering our information.”

Yet consumers so far seem to be welcoming these devices. The research firm IDC projects that 1.3 billion smart devices will ship worldwide in 2022, twice as many as 2018.

Companies say they are building these products not for snooping but for convenience, although Amazon, Google and other partners enabling the intelligence can use the details to they collect to customize their services and ads.

Whirlpool, for instance, is testing an oven whose window doubles as a display. You’ll still be able to see what’s roasting inside, but the glass can now display animation pointing to where to place the turkey for optimal cooking.

The oven can sync with your digital calendar and recommend recipes based on how much time you have. It can help coordinate multiple recipes, so

that you’re not undercooking the side dishes in focusing too much on the entree. A camera inside lets you zoom in to see if the cheese on the lasagna has

most important to them.” Samsung has several voice-enabled products, including a fridge that comes with an app that lets you check on its contents while you’re

fact that they are also being spied on.” Gadgets with voice controls typically aren’t transmitting any data back to company servers until you

allows Kohler’s app to display how much water is dispensed. (Water bills typically show water use for the whole home, not individual taps.)

The market for smart devices is still small, but growing. Kohler estimates that in a few years, smart appliances will make up 10 percent of its revenue. Though the features are initially limited to premium models — such as the \$7,000 toilet — they should eventually appear in entry-level products, too, as costs come down.

Consider the TV. “Dumb” TVs are rare these days, as the vast majority of TVs ship with internet connections and apps, like it or not.

“It becomes a check-box item for the TV manufacturer,” said Paul Gagnon, an analyst with IHS Markit. For a dumb one, he said, you have to search for an off-brand, entry-level model with smaller screens — or go to places in the world where streaming services aren’t common.

“Dumb” cars are also headed to the scrapyard. The research firm BI Intelligence estimates that by 2020, three out of every four cars sold worldwide will be models with connectivity. No serious incidents have occurred in the United States, Europe and Japan, but a red flag has already been raised in China, where automakers have been sharing location details of connected cars with the government.

As for TVs, Consumer Reports says many TV makers collect and share users’ viewing habits. Vizio agreed to \$2.5 million in penalties in 2017 to settle cases with the Federal Trade Commission and New Jersey officials.

Consumers can decide not to enable these connections. They can also vote with their wallets, Stephens said. “I’m a firm believer that simple is better. If you don’t need to have these so-called enhancements, don’t buy them,” he said. “Does one really need a refrigerator that keeps track of everything in it and tells you you are running out of milk?” □



**Two different sizes of the HiMirror uses its skin analysis technology, to assess your skin for wrinkles, fine lines, dark circles, dark spots, red spots, roughness, and pores, shown here at the CES Unveiled at CES International, Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019, in Las Vegas.**

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browned enough, without opening the oven door.

As for that smart toilet, Kohler’s Numi will respond to voice commands to raise or lower the lid — or to flush. You can do it from an app, too. The company says it’s all about offering hands-free options in a setting that’s very personal for people. The toilet is also heated and can play music and the news through its speakers.

For the most part, consumers aren’t asking for these specific features. “We try to be innovative in ways that customers don’t think they need,” Samsung spokesman Louis Masses said.

Whirlpool said insights can come from something as simple as watching consumers open the oven door several times to check on the meal, losing heat in the process.

“They do not say to us, ‘Please tell me where to put (food) on the rack, or do algorithm-based cooking,’” said Doug Searles, general manager for Whirlpool’s research arm, WLabs. “They tell us the results that are

grocery shopping. New this year: Samsung’s washing machines can send alerts to its TVs — smart TVs, of course — so you know your laundry is ready while watching Netflix

Other connected items at CES include:

- a fishing rod that tracks your location to build an online map of where you’ve made the most catches.

- a toothbrush that recommends where to brush more.

- a fragrance diffuser that lets you control how your home smells from a smartphone app.

These are poised to join internet-connected security cameras, door locks and thermostats that are already on the market. The latter can work with sensors to turn the heat down automatically when you leave home.

Chester said consumers feel the need to keep up with their neighbors when they buy appliances with the smartest smarts. He said all the conveniences can be “a powerful drug to help people forget the

activate them with a trigger word, such as “Alexa” or “OK Google.” But devices have sometimes misheard innocuous words as legitimate commands to record and send private conversations.

Even when devices work properly, commands are usually stored indefinitely. Companies can use the data to personalize experiences — including ads. Beyond that, background conversations may be stored with the voice recordings and can resurface with hacking or as part of lawsuits or investigations.

Knowing what you cook or stock in your fridge might seem innocuous. But if insurers get hold of the data, they might charge you more for unhealthy diets, warned Paul Stephens, director of policy and advocacy at the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse in San Diego. He also said it might be possible to infer ethnicity based on food consumed. Manufacturers are instead emphasizing the benefits: Data collection from the smart faucet, for instance,



# Jittery Wall Street has a lot ahead to be nervous about

By STAN CHOE  
Associated Press

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Welcome to the brave new world of investing, where every day in the stock market can feel like bedlam. Investors have been careening from fear to relief and back again as they react to morsels of news about the health of the economy and corporate profits, the global trade war and when the Federal Reserve will next raise interest rates.

With each mood shift, stock prices have swung wildly. Unusually big moves — both up and down — have come at a frequency not seen in years.

On Friday, the S&P 500 index soared 3.4 percent following a stronger-than-expected U.S. jobs report, news of trade talks between the United States and China and comments from the Fed seen as helpful for stocks.

It was a sharp reversal from just the day before when investors saw the glass decidedly half empty. On Thursday, the S&P 500 plunged 2.5 percent after a disappointing U.S. manufacturing report raised fears about a possible recession and Apple warned about weak iPhone sales in China. That two-day whiplash followed 2018, a year when the S&P 500 had 20 days where it swung by at least 2 percent, twice as many as any of the prior six years. The market has gotten so topsy-turvy that when Friday's jobs report first came out, about an hour before the New York Stock Exchange opened, some investors wondered if it would cause relief or panic. The numbers were strong, but were they so strong as to push the Fed to raise rates faster, which would be bad for stocks?

"I did find myself wondering how the market is going to react to this: Are people asking, 'Is this good?'" said Ernie Cecilia, chief investment officer at Bryn Mawr Trust. "It just shows the environment we're in. It's uncertain how the market re-



In a Thursday, Jan. 3, 2019 file photo, trader Michael Milano works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

acts, or overreacts." Expect the jitters to continue. Reports are coming that will give investors clues about whether their fears of a possible recession are warranted, as well as updates on interest rates and trade policy. Among the approaching milestones that could be the next to roil Wall Street:

— Earnings season Starting next week, companies will begin reporting their profits for the last three months of 2018, and expectations are high. Analysts are forecasting 11.4 percent growth for S&P 500 companies, which would be the fifth straight quarter of gains topping 10 percent, according to FactSet.

Those numbers are key because stock prices tend to track corporate profits over the long term. But even more attention will likely be paid to what CEOs say about future profits.

"We're going to have a nice, solid double-digit number" for fourth-quarter earnings growth, said Phil Orlando, chief equity market strategist at Federated Investors. "I think the market's bigger concern is how big the 2019 deceleration is."

Executives generally talk with analysts and investors immediately after

their companies' quarterly earnings are released. Stock prices could swing depending on what they say about how moderating economic growth, U.S.-China trade tensions and interest rates could affect their upcoming results.

Apple's warning last week about slow iPhone sales in China, the world's second-largest economy, shocked the market and sent Apple's stock down nearly 10 percent. On the same day, Delta Air Lines fell nearly 9 percent after it trimmed its forecast for fourth-quarter revenue.

Orlando said he expects earnings growth will remain

positive in 2019, just slower than last year, much like the economy. He nevertheless expects stocks to claw back their recent losses and return to a record by the end of the year, though with a lot of volatility in between.

— U.S-China trade talks A U.S. delegation began talks in Beijing on Monday aimed at resolving a trade dispute that has alarmed global investors and threatens to drag down worldwide economic growth. The world's two biggest economies are battling over U.S. allegations that Beijing uses predatory tactics to acquire advanced

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technologies, potentially undermining American technological dominance. According to a March report by the U.S. trade representative, China hacks into American companies' computer networks to steal trade secrets and forces foreign firms to share technology as the price of admission to the Chinese market. The standoff will be difficult to resolve before a March 1 deadline. That is when U.S. tariffs on \$200 billion in Chinese imports are scheduled to jump to 25 percent from 10 percent. Chinese leaders have signaled their willingness to address U.S. complaints about America's massive trade deficit with China by buying more soybeans, natural gas and other U.S. products.

But they are likely to resist pressure from Washington to scrap or scale back technology policies they see as vital to China's future prosperity and strength. □



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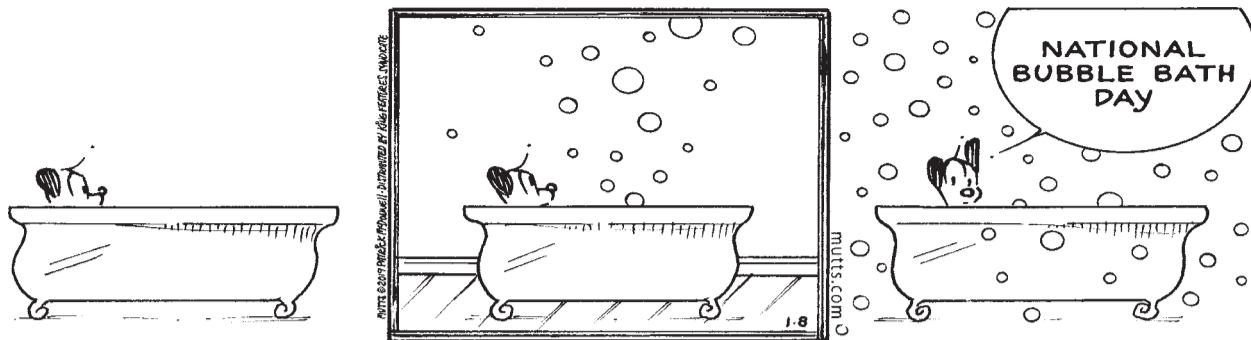
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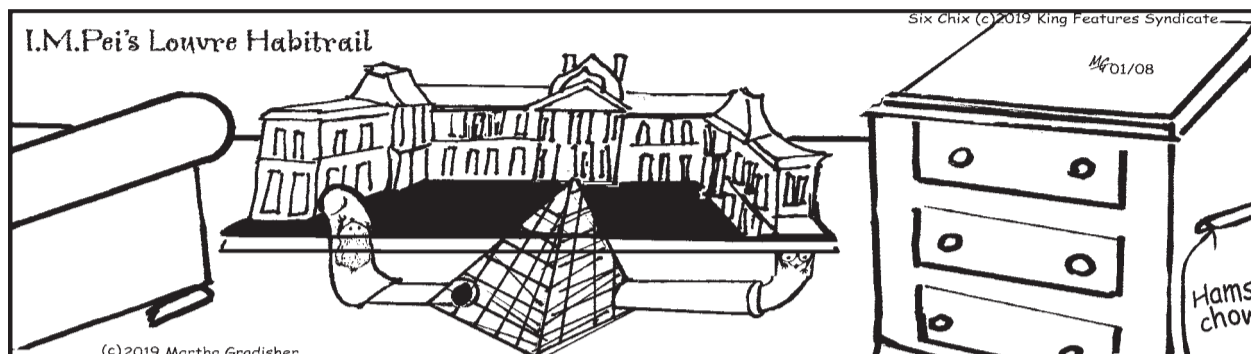
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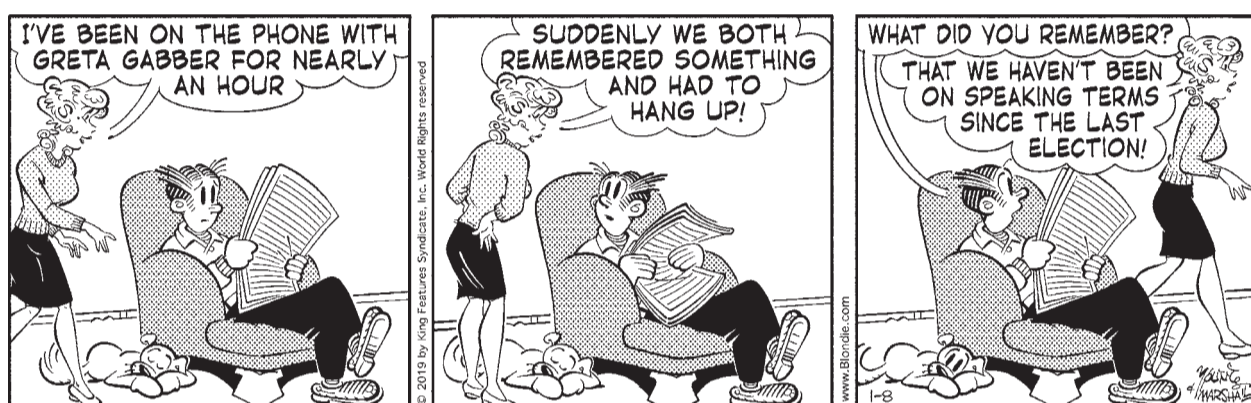
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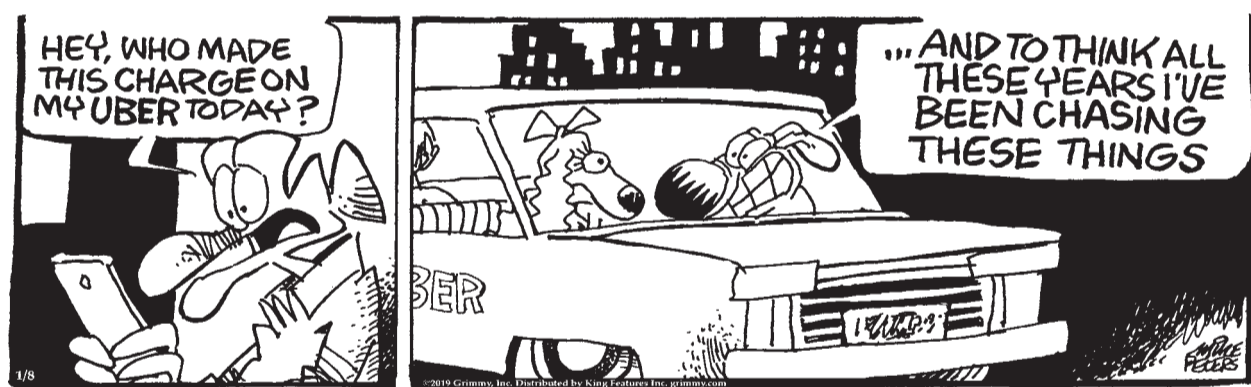
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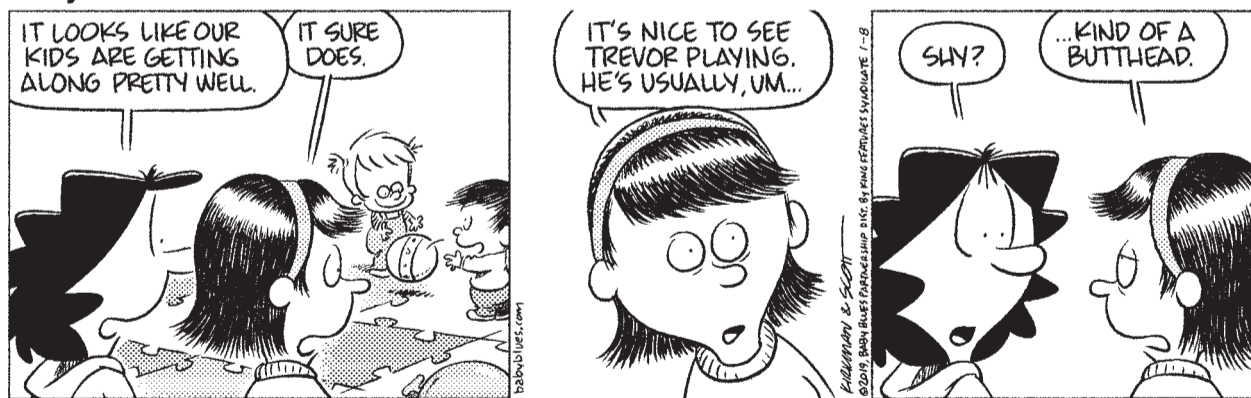
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

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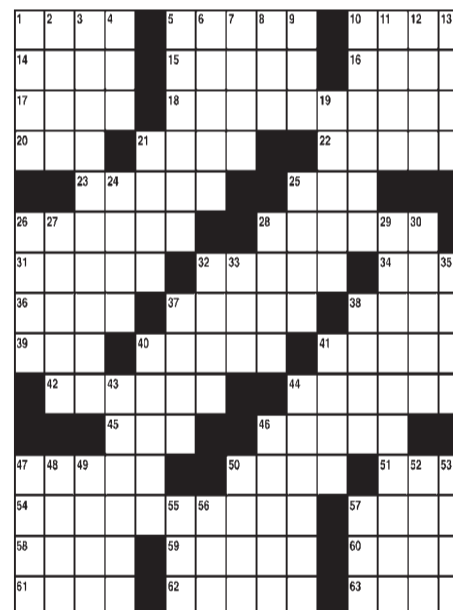
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Noisy bird
- 5 Wander off course
- 10 Experts
- 14 Actress Lange
- 15 Once and again
- 16 Suggestion
- 17 Imitated
- 18 Contrition
- 20 Cub Scout group
- 21 Marvin and Meriwether
- 22 Off-center
- 23 Armed robbery
- 25 Hurry
- 26 Window coverings
- 28 Outspoken
- 31 \_\_\_ of conscience; guilty feelings
- 32 Tactless
- 34 Apple computer
- 36 Singer \_\_\_ Williams
- 37 Plank
- 38 Agile
- 39 \_\_\_ the line; obey
- 40 Brag
- 41 Taxi charges
- 42 Couch potatoes
- 44 Truthful
- 45 Grow older
- 46 Crates
- 47 Greek letter
- 50 Imitation
- 51 Drink slowly
- 54 Very determined
- 57 Costa \_\_\_
- 58 Upper limbs
- 59 TV's Couric
- 60 Kitchen appliance
- 61 Pain in the neck
- 62 Removes the lid from
- 63 Cruz & Danson

**DOWN**

- 1 African nation
- 2 Lasso
- 3 Generous
- 4 Marry
- 5 Emphasize
- 6 Nest noise
- 7 Tears
- 8 Biggest club
- 9 Japan's dollar
- 10 \_\_\_ out; got rid of gradually
- 11 Ice-covered oval
- 12 \_\_\_ upon a time..."
- 13 Worry; fret
- 19 Contaminate
- 21 Fibs
- 24 Not relaxed
- 25 By \_\_\_; manually
- 26 Argument
- 27 Asian capital city
- 28 Terse
- 29 Remarkable
- 30 Challenges
- 32 Feathery scarves
- 33 \_\_\_ Cruces, NM
- 35 Fluid-filled sac
- 37 Monotonous speaker



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# Growing opioid crisis adds to Puerto Rico's problems

By **DANICA COTO**  
**Associated Press**  
**HUMACAO, Puerto Rico**  
**(AP)** — Jose Carlos Lavienna emptied his pockets, took off his shoes and waited to die.

He had just injected himself with a new type of heroin that his dealer was promoting, but the high was so strong that Lavienna thought he had overdosed. The 35-year-old was preparing his body for how he wanted to be found.

"It's truly something super strong," he said, referring to what he believes was heroin mixed with fentanyl. "I felt death at that moment."

Lavienna's near-fatal experience in an abandoned trailer in southeast Puerto Rico is one of many signs that the island hasn't been spared from the opioid crisis that has plagued the U.S. mainland—a problem that seems to have grown as a result of a devastating hurricane.

The government is struggling to keep up, and failed to apply for a multi-million dollar U.S. grant that advocates say could have helped save lives.

More than 600 fentanyl-related overdoses and 60 deaths were reported in Puerto Rico in 2017, largely before Hurricane Maria, up from 200 and eight the previous year. While that's much less dire than the crisis in some U.S. states, activists and experts say the problem appears to be expanding rapidly as use of fentanyl, the opioid blamed for much of the problem in the U.S., spreads more widely here.

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and local nonprofit groups also say the official data doesn't re-

flect the true situation because the island's government is not keeping proper count of deaths and overdoses. Despite that, the U.S.

for the thinly staffed agency struggling with staffing cuts to apply for the new grant while also coordinating work under earlier

lacked access to basic health care for weeks after the hurricane hit, and pharmacies began refilling prescriptions without a

around a plastic table near an abandoned house and injected each other and themselves. One of them stuck a thumb in his mouth and blew out, making the vein pop on his neck as he prepared for the injection. On the table were dozens of dirty needles, small water bottles and cookers.

Program director Rafael Torruella said he noticed an increase in overdoses after Maria hit and his organization began testing heroin cookers for fentanyl. Now nearly all of them test positive.

Lavienna was among the addicts who approached the social workers that day. He dropped off 140 used needles, picked up clean cookers and paused to recount his near-death experience before disappearing behind an abandoned building. "Hardly anyone talks about this problem in Puerto Rico. It's like it doesn't exist," said Torruella, who also trains emergency officials on how to save people from an overdose. "Fentanyl is here, and we have to do something about it."

But that is proving hard for an island mired in a 12-year recession and sharp budget cuts forced by a sort of public bankruptcy.

Puerto Rico's Administration of Services for Mental Health and Addiction confirmed 40 fentanyl deaths through March, but 75 suspected ones since then have gone untested because of budget cuts.

"Right now we have some serious limitations," said Suzanne Roig, who oversees the agency.

Officials also are worried about legally prescribed painkillers. Gov. Ricardo Rossello declared an alert about overdoses in 2017 and announced the government would track the use of legal opioids such as fentanyl and hydrocodone. In the seven months since that began, officials recorded about 60 prescriptions per 100 people. That's roughly equal to the full-year rate for the U.S. mainland in 2017. □



In this Dec. 14, 2018 photo, a drug user turns in his used syringes to volunteers from the "Intercambios Puerto Rico" needle exchange program, in order to get new, clean ones, in an area popular with drug users in Humacao, Puerto Rico.

**Associated Press**

territory never applied for a \$7.8 million award from Congress to help get people into treatment. That money was instead divided up among U.S. states.

"It's ridiculous. There's a lot of need for that money," said Carmen Davila, a nurse who helps drug addicts in rural Puerto Rico. She worries the number of overdoses will increase, and she questioned the 612 overdoses reported in 2017 by the government. "I'd say it's three times that amount based on the testimonies of people we've helped, and that's a conservative estimate."

Julissa Perez, spokeswoman for Puerto Rico's Administration of Services for Mental Health and Addiction, said it was too difficult

grants and programs.

"I am extremely worried, because this represents an epidemic that has not been acknowledged," said Puerto Rico territorial Sen. Jose Vargas Vidot, a doctor known for his volunteer work with drug addicts on the island. "In the 30 years that I've been on the streets, I have never seen three to four deaths a week in just one neighborhood, in just one street ... Everything changed immensely after Hurricane Maria."

Vargas said the heavy presence of law enforcement on the island after the Category 4 storm hit on Sept. 20, 2017, coupled with a lengthy paralysis of all modes of transportation used by smugglers, led drug dealers to substitute imported heroin with fentanyl, which was available at hospitals since it is legally produced in Puerto Rico. He said he and other doctors received anonymous tips that criminals were threatening hospital staff with violence or even death if they did not hand over fentanyl supplies.

Meanwhile, many patients

doctor's authorization as a humanitarian move, he said. In addition, mental disorders were exacerbated after Maria, with some people waiting up to a year for water and power to be reconnected.

"There was a boom in anxiety disorders and suicides," Vargas said. "All these things led to fentanyl and other drugs becoming much more fashionable." In addition to locally produced fentanyl, authorities say a less-controlled version of the drug is now being smuggled in from China and India, then mixed with heroin, and to a lesser degree cocaine and marijuana. Officials reported a cluster of fatal overdoses in the western coastal town of Mayaguez, followed by more overdoses at a nearby prison in the northwest town of Aguadilla. From there, activists say, the use of illegal fentanyl and other opioids has spread to all major cities, including the capital.

In the southeast coastal town of Humacao, a group of heroin and cocaine addicts recently gathered

# Former NY Times editor says Fox took her book out of context

By DAVID BAUDER  
Associated Press

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Jill Abramson, the former editor of The New York Times, said Thursday that Fox News took her criticism of the newspaper's Trump coverage in her upcoming book "totally out of context" for a story that appeared this week.

The Fox story, headlined "Former NY Times editor rips Trump coverage as biased," quotes from Abramson's book, "Merchants of Truth." She wrote that although current Times executive editor Dean Baquet publicly said he didn't want the newspaper to be the opposition party, "his news pages were unmistakably anti-Trump." With a mostly liberal audience, "there was an implicit financial reward for the Times in running lots of Trump stories, almost all of them negative," she wrote in the book.

Abramson was executive editor of the Times from 2011 to 2014 before being fired following a dispute with Baquet, one of her deputies. She said in an email interview with The Associated Press that the Fox article's author, "Media Buzz" host Howard Kurtz, had ignored compliments that she had for the Times and The Washington Post. "His article is an attempt to Foxify my book, which is full of praise for The Times and The Washington Post and their coverage of Trump," she wrote in the email.

Kurtz said in a phone interview with the AP that he was "sorry to see Jill back away from her own words" and that his report was accurate.

"I would have written this story the same way if I were working for any

news organization," said Kurtz, a former Washington Post media columnist. "Her sometimes harsh criticism of her former paper's Trump coverage leaps off the page and is clearly the most newsworthy element in the book because of her standing as a former executive editor." Their dispute is yet another example of a polarized media environment in the Trump era. Abramson's book talks about that at length, and criticizes Trump for trying to undermine re-

porting about him. Shortly after Kurtz's story was posted on Wednesday, it was picked up by several news outlets popular with Trump supporters, including Breitbart News, NewsMax, the Washington Times, the New York Post and the Hill.

administration complains about press scrutiny. "We take pride in our long history of journalistic independence and commitment to covering the news without fear or favor," she said. The Post declined comment on Abramson's assertion that its news coverage was also anti-Trump. The plain-spoken Abramson has drawn attention in the past for criticizing her old newspaper, recently chiding the Times for not doing reporting that could have foreseen the rise of U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. She's also offered praise, saying in her book that Baquet's decision for the newspaper to bluntly call some of Trump's remarks a lie was "brave and right."

In her email, Abramson notes that Kurtz ignored her passage in the book saying that under Baquet's leadership, the depth and intensity of its accountability coverage of Trump "was masterful. On most days it outshone the Post's. The news report as a whole had never been stronger." In his story, Kurtz wrote that Abramson "defends the Times in some ways but offers some harsh words for her successor."

Abramson said Kurtz never called her for comment before writing his story. Kurtz said he relied on her written word, and that most authors don't give interviews so far in advance of a publishing date ("Merchants of Truth" goes on sale Feb.

5). He said he informed the book's publisher that he was writing about it and agreed to their request to delay his story for a few weeks.

The book, subtitled "The Business of News and the Fight for Facts," looks at challenges faced by the Times, the Post, BuzzFeed and Vice.

Her discussion of the Times' 2016 campaign coverage criticizes extensive attention paid to Hillary Clinton's email issues, while also discussing a late-campaign story that many Trump critics believed minimized the seriousness of the Republican campaign connections to Russia.

"The biggest problem of all was the relentless pace of the political news cycle, which required snap decisions and constant reactive stories," she wrote. "The imbalances were most glaring when the coverage of Clinton was compared to the coverage of Trump.

The Times misstated the seriousness of the government's investigation of Russian meddling in the 2016 election."

She also writes with discomfort about some of the ways business considerations have infiltrated the Times' newsroom. She writes of an "emerging divide" in the Times newsroom between younger members trained in digital and not traditional reportorial work, and an old guard that operated under strict guidelines of fairness. □



In this April 19, 2010, file photo, Jill Abramson attends the 2010 Matrix Awards presented by the New York Women in Communications at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel in New York. Associated Press

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Abramson wrote that the more anti-Trump that the Times was perceived to be, the more it was mistrusted for being biased.

The late publisher Adolph Ochs' promise to cover the news without fear or favor "sounded like an impossible promise in such a polarized environment, where the very definition of 'fact' and 'truth' was under constant assault," she wrote in the book. Eileen Murphy, spokeswoman for the Times, also echoed Ochs in saying that every admin-



This combination photo shows Chrissy Metz at the 76th annual Golden Globe Awards in Beverly Hills on Jan. 6, 2019, left, and Alison Brie at Porter's 3rd Annual Incredible Women Gala in Los Angeles on Oct. 9, 2018.

Associated Press

## Chrissy Metz, Alison Brie shut down rumor about insult

By The Associated Press

Chrissy Metz has denied a report that she insulted "GLOW" actress Alison Brie during an interview on the Golden Globes red carpet and the two appeared in a social media post later downplaying any acrimony. The "This Is Us" star wrote on Twitter on Sunday night during the Globes broad-

cast that a report claiming that Metz used a curse word to describe Brie was "completely fabricated." She wrote that she adores Brie and would never say a bad word about her. Brie later posted on her Instagram account a picture of the two actresses together and said, "Nothing but love for @Chris-

Metz. Rumors can't keep us down!" The clip is of her speaking over footage of Brie and the words are not easily distinguishable. Us Weekly later deleted a tweet questioning whether Metz cursed. Other news outlets also reported that Metz used a curse word to describe Brie. □

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# 'Aquaman' continues reign, but 'Escape Room' sneaks into 2<sup>nd</sup>

By **LINDSEY BAHR**  
Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — "Aquaman" is still the champ at the box office three weeks in, but the high-concept thriller "Escape Room" also drew some substantial crowds in its debut weekend. Warner Bros. on Sunday says that "Aquaman" has added an estimated \$30.7 million from over 4,000 North American theaters. That brings its domestic grosses to nearly \$260 million. The DC comics film starring Jason Momoa has had a tidal wave of successes internationally too. Worldwide it has made \$940.7 million, making it by far the highest grossing film in the modern DC Extended Universe slate (No. 2 is "Batman v Superman: Dawn of Justice" with \$873.6 million). Even with the slew of holiday releases, from blockbusters to awards darlings, Sony's PG-13 rated thriller "Escape Room" managed to sneak into second place in its first weekend in theaters generating an esti-



This image released by Sony Pictures shows Deborah Ann Woll, clockwise from left, Taylor Russell, Jay Ellis, Logan Miller and Nick Dodani in "Escape Room."

imated \$18 million in ticket sales — double its production budget. The film stars Taylor Russell, Deborah Ann Woll and Logan Miller and was directed by Adam Robitel. It got mixed reviews from critics and audiences, but that didn't seem to matter when it came down to the bottom line.

"Movies that open in the early part of January don't get a lot of respect, but this was a great profit maker," said Comscore senior media analyst Paul Dergarabedian. "Sony took perfect advantage of what is typically a marketplace devoid of newcomers and made box office hay out of it." Disney's "Mary Poppins Returns" landed in third place in its third weekend

with \$15.8 million. The nostalgic musical has earned \$138.7 million domestically and is competing for four Golden Globe Awards Sunday evening. Globally, it's made \$257.9 million. "Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse" took fourth place with \$13 million and "Bumblebee" rounded out the top five with \$12.8 million. The Dick Cheney biopic "Vice" fell only 25 percent

in its second weekend, adding \$5.8 million to take seventh place.

A leading nominee at the Golden Globes, "Vice," starring Christian Bale as the former Vice President, has now earned \$29.8 million, but still has an uphill climb to even meet its \$60 million production budget. In limited release, the Ruth Bader Ginsburg biopic "On the Basis of Sex" continued to perform well, with \$1.7 million from 112 locations, before expanding nationwide next weekend. And the Bollywood film "Simmba," playing in 292 locations, grossed \$1 million, bringing its North American total to \$4.1 million.

Six days into the new year and coming off of a record 2018, the box office overall is running a little behind (5 percent) where the totals were last year, when "Star Wars: The Last Jedi" and "Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle" were still printing money. But that could all change when "Glass" opens on Jan. 18. The M. Night Shyamalan film could be a January record-breaker. □

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## Pegi Young, musician and activist, dead at 66

Associated Press

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Pegi Young, who with fellow musician and then-husband Neil Young helped found the Bridge School for children with speech and physical impairments, has died.

Young died of cancer Tuesday in California, according to spokeswoman Michelle Gutenstein-Hinz. She was 66. Additional details about her death were not immediately available.

Pegi Young first conceived of the California-based school in 1986 after she and her husband struggled to educate their son Ben, born with cerebral palsy. Over the



In this April 17, 2007 file photo, singer Pegi Young is photographed in New York's Central Park.

next three decades, the Youngs helped stage all-star concert benefits, with guest performers including Bruce Springsteen, David Bowie and Tom Petty. "I look at it with a great deal of satisfaction," Pegi

Young told speakersincode.com in 2016. "It's kind of amazing that the school has not only sustained itself for all these years by way of the concert, of course, but how it's grown and evolved. □

# Snubs, surprises and a Satanic shout-out? Key Globes moments

By **JOCELYN NOVECK**  
Associated Press

It was a moment when everyone — absolutely everyone — expected to see an ebullient Lady Gaga climbing to the stage in her dramatic periwinkle gown. Instead, a visibly stunned Glenn Close got the Golden Globe. But her deeply personal speech about women's need for fulfillment outside the family soon had the crowd on its feet, providing the emotional highpoint of the night.

A year ago the Golden Globes were all about #MeToo and Time's Up. A year earlier, it was all about politics. The 2019 Globes were much less overtly activist or political, but speeches by Close as well as co-host Sandra Oh and actress Regina King kept issues of equality and diversity alive in a more personal way.

Oh, and of course there was the usual Globes craziness: "Bohemian Rhapsody" as best drama? The groundbreaking "Black Panther" snubbed? And nothing for Bradley Cooper — really? Some notable moments of the night, in no particular order:

## THE POWER OF NICE

Taking the stage for their opening monologue, co-hosts Oh and Andy Samberg had an explanation for why they'd been chosen: they were "the only two people left in Hollywood who haven't gotten in trouble for saying something offensive." Then they riffed on that by pretending to roast people by actually saying nice things. ("Bradley Cooper: You are hot!" "Jeff Bridges, I wish you were my Dad!") The bit didn't get uproarious laughs but was pleasantly, well, pleasant.

## BUT ... SATAN?

Was this the first time Satan got a shout-out in an acceptance speech? If so, we have Christian Bale to thank. The Welsh actor was accepting his award for "Vice," in which he made a stunning transformation into a chubby and bald

Dick Cheney. After thanking castmates and director Adam McKay, he extended a "thank you to Satan

attendees wore ribbons saying "TIMESUPx2," marking the second year of the gender equality move-

of change," she said. "I am not fooling myself. Next year could be different. But right now this moment

At least Lady Gaga didn't go home empty-handed: She won as a co-writer for best song, "Shallow," which she performs with Cooper in "A Star is Born." In her speech, she too referred to the challenges women face, not in the film industry but in music. "As a woman in music it is really hard to be taken seriously as musician and as a songwriter," she said, adding that her co-writers "lifted me up, they supported me." Gaga wrote the song with Mark Ronson, Anthony Rosomando and Andrew Wyatt.

## COLMAN'S 'FAVOURITE' THING

Not every speech had a serious tone to it. Olivia Colman, who won best actress in a musical or comedy for 'The Favourite,' in which she plays a comically troubled queen, told the crowd: "I would like to tell you how much this film meant to me, but I can't think of it." She also noted that one of her "favourite" things about making the film was that she "ate constantly through the film."

## WHAT WAS THAT, DUDE?

We're not really sure what he was saying in his rambling speech accepting the Cecil B. DeMille Award — especially when he started talking about ships, and saying, "Tag, you're it!" But hey, Jeff Bridges is best known as a stoner icon in "The Big Lebowski," so it was sort of apt that he wasn't so easy to follow. It was simply fun to experience his joy; it's just too bad he wasn't wearing a bathrobe. Harrison Ford, coming next, was even crustier than usual. "Nobody told me I had to follow Jeff Bridges," he said.

## WOW, SHE KNOWS ME?

It was a sweet red carpet moment as Elisabeth Moss, star of "The Handmaid's Tale," discovered that Taylor Swift was a fan. Ryan Seacrest presented her with a video from Swift, gushing about the show. "I can't believe she even knows who I am!!" Moss exulted, showing that stars can sometimes be exactly like us. □



This image released by NBC shows Regina King accepting the award for best supporting actress in a motion picture for her role in "If Beale Street Could Talk" during the 76th Annual Golden Globe Awards at the Beverly Hilton Hotel on Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019 in Beverly Hills, Calif.

Associated Press

for giving me inspiration for this role." He also mused that he might try to play Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell next.

## A DECENT NIGHT FOR 'OLD MEN'

"Mary Poppins Returns" may have gone home empty-handed, but 93-year-old Dick Van Dyke, who has a wonderfully spry cameo in the film, got a big ovation when he came out with Emily Blunt, who plays Mary. And Michael Douglas, winning his Globe for "The Kominsky Method," exulted that "alte kakers rule!," using the Yiddish term for "old man." The 74-year-old actor also dedicated his award to his 102-year-old father, Kirk Douglas.

## A TIME'S UP CHALLENGE

A year after the Globes carpet was a sea of shimmering black, worn in solidarity with #MeToo and Time's Up, colorful gowns were back — though some

ment. On the carpet was actress Alyssa Milano, who sent the tweet that made #MeToo go viral; she noted that in the past year, a "really wonderful sisterhood has formed." It was actress Regina King of "If Beale Street Could Talk," though, who made the most memorable reference to Time's Up, resisting the orchestra's efforts to play her off, and vowing that in the next two years, her producing projects would be staffed by 50 percent women. She challenged those in other industries to do the same.

## OH TURNS EMOTIONAL

After an opener with Samberg full of zingers, Oh suddenly became emotional, explaining that she'd agreed to host the show — and overcome the fear — to celebrate the diversity of the nominated casts. "I wanted to be here to look out on this audience and witness this moment

is real." Soon after, Oh herself won best actress in a TV drama for "Killing Eve," and thanked her parents, movingly, in Korean.

## UP CLOSE AND PERSONAL

When Close won best actress in a movie drama, she seemed as shocked as everyone else. But then the 71-year-old actress made a heartfelt connection between her role in "The Wife," in which she plays a wife who sublimates her own ambitions to those of her husband in a stunning way, and her own life. "I am thinking of my mom who really sublimated herself to my father her whole life," Close said. She added that women are expected to be nurturers, "but we have to find personal fulfillment. We have to follow our dreams. We have to say, I can do that and I should be allowed to do that." The crowd rose to cheer.

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